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HOPEDALE  
1968





**EIGHTY-THIRD**  
**ANNUAL REPORT**  
  
of the  
**TOWN OFFICERS**  
  
of the  
**TOWN OF HOPEDALE**  
  
for the  
  
Year Ending December 31, 1968







## TOWN OF HOPEDALE

### UNITED STATES SENATORS

Edward M. Kennedy  
Edward W. Brooke

### ATTORNEY GENERAL

Elliot L. Richardson

### GOVERNOR

John A. Volpe

### SENATOR OF THE FOURTH WORCESTER DISTRICT

James A. Kelley, Jr.

### SECRETARY OF STATE

F. X. Davoren

### AUDITOR

Thaddeus Buczko

### REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL COURT EIGHTH WORCESTER DISTRICT

Charles A. Mullaly, Jr.  
Frederick Leo Kenney

### UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE THIRD DISTRICT

Philip J. Philbin

### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Paul X. Tivnan  
Edmund Patrick Bird  
Frances E. Cassidy

### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Francis W. Sargent

### TREASURER

Robert Q. Crane

## GENERAL INTEREST

Town of Hopedale — Incorporated April 7, 1886

### POPULATION

4586

### ELEVATION

271.94 feet above sea level  
at Town Hall

### TAX RATE

\$42.50 — Year 1968

### ASSESSED VALUATION

Real Estate — \$22,838,530.00

Personal Property — \$473,720.00

### AREA

5.34 Square Miles

### ROAD MILEAGE

17.01 not including State  
Highways

### REGISTERED VOTERS

2406 — Year 1968

### ANNUAL ELECTION

First Monday in March

## ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

And Date of Expiration of Term

### SELECTMEN

C. Victor Pepper, Chm.	1969
William B. Gannett	1970
Carl A. Bresciani	1971

This Board also comprises the Board of Health, Board of Public Welfare and the Water Commissioners and Fence Viewers.

### TOWN CLERK

Mortimer C. Dennett	1969
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### TREASURER

Anthony D. Perry	1969
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### TAX COLLECTOR

A. Harold Soderberg	1969
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### MODERATOR

Edwin A. Howard	1969
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Edwin A. Howard	1969
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### ASSESSORS

Alfred A. Norman, Chm.	1971
Charles R. Cox	1969
Perry K. MacNevin	1970

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Nancy F. Gannett, Chm.	1969
Vincent Arone	1970
Robert S. Phillips	1971

### CONSTABLES

W. Chester Sanborn	1971
Raymond J. Gaffney	1971
Robert M. Phillips	1971
Robert J. Cosetta	1971
Robert B. Taylor, Jr.	1971

### TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Florence S. Northrop, Chm.	1970
Ann E. Huff	1971
Russell W. Wade	1969

### ROAD COMMISSIONERS

Perry K. MacNevin	1969
Robert Donely	1970
Donald R. Fafard	1971

### PARK COMMISSIONERS

John S. Boyer, Chm.	1970
Rober Robbins, Clerk	1971
Benjamin F. Phillips	1969

### COMMISSIONERS OF TRUST FUNDS

James H. Richardson, Chm.	1970
Frederick F. Libby	1971
John L. Carrier	1969

### HOUSING AUTHORITY

David C. Harris, Chm.	1972
M. Russell Dennett, V. Chm.	1971
Harold H. Stearns, Treas.	1970
Edward J. Malloy, Asst. Trea.	1969
Helen B. Hammond, Ex. Sec.	
Harold W. Ward, Asst. Sec.	1973

### TREE WARDEN

W. Chester Sanborn	1969
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### BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Harrison N. Thibault	1969
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### PLANNING BOARD

William F. Seller, Chm.	1973	Charles J. Mongeon	1972
John R. Cicchetti	1970	James W. Ronan	1969
Edward L. Condon	1971		

## OFFICERS APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN — 1968

### CLERK OF SELECTMEN

Westley Burton

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Arthur C. Young, Chm.	1971
Peter S. Ellis, V. Chm.	1971
John D. Gannett	1970
Ralph B. Jackson	1970
John L. Carrier	1970
Robert D. Donley	1968
James H. Richardson	1969
George A. Mongiat	1969
George H. Harlow	1969

### TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Millard A. Lovejoy	1971
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### BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Mortimer C. Dennett, Clerk	
Paul L. Bresciani	1970
Henry L. Cyr	1969
Earl E. Killion	1971

### DOG OFFICER

Acacio A. Teixeira

### LOCK UP KEEPER

W. Chester Sanborn

### SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

W. Chester Sanborn	1971
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### PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTORS

Robert J. Rossetti  
Harold W. Anderson

### INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert J. Shimkus

### BOARD OF APPEALS

Ralph B. Jackson, Chm.	1971
Roger V. Burns, Clerk	1970
Eldon S. Biggs	1969
Angelo V. Ragonese	1971
Walter O. Hoffman	1971

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John S. Boyer, Chm.  
Roger W. Robbins, Clerk  
Benjamin F. Phillips  
Paul H. Blatz  
Nicholas Narducci  
Laurence Maher  
Robert Corninet

### ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Charles A. Watson, Chief  
Arnold F. J. Nealley, Deputy Chief  
William E. Grant, Engineer

### FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Charles A. Watson

### SANITATION OFFICER

Robert P. Wood

### MEASURERS OF LUMBER

James McGrath  
Wilfred Nichols  
Ernest Young

### INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

W. Chester Sanborn

### INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

W. Chester Sanborn



PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Antonio B. Alves  
Walter Brousseau  
James Carrachino  
Domenic Cellozzi  
John Clark  
M. Russell Dennett  
Joseph DiAntonio  
Horace Fafard  
Irving Ferman  
Nathan Ferman  
Allan Forget  
Louis Gentilli  
Americo Grassi  
Benjamin Green  
Albert Grenon  
Paul Haynes  
David Hayward  
Francis Hayward  
Mildred Irving  
Irving Janock  
Robert Morin  
Harry Rosenfeld  
Joseph Rosenfeld  
Ronald C. Taylor  
Wilfred Tessier  
Arthur Vesperi

BLACKSTONE VALLEY  
ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY  
COUNCIL

Edward L. Condon  
Sewell M. Drisko

APPOINTED BY ASSESSORS

Eudoxia Carchio  
Isabelle Anderson

APPOINTED BY REGISTRARS

Jessie M. Brown  
Annie E. Wilson

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

C. Victor Pepper

TOWN COUNSEL

Gordon A. Shaw

BURIAL AGENT  
OF DECEASED VETERANS

Napier Scribner

AGENTS OF BOARD OF HEALTH  
TO SIGN BURIAL PERMITS

Mortimer C. Dennett  
Alice S. Boyd

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Frederick H. Hanny, Director  
Edith M. Gaffney

DIRECTOR OF  
VETERANS SERVICES

Anthony J. Mastroianni

CUSTODIAN OF TOWN HALL

Arthur C. Johnson

HEALTH OFFICER

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Robert Laz, Norfolk, Mass.

## POLICE OFFICERS

W. Chester Sanborn, Chief  
Carl Adams  
Cameron Allen  
Joseph Aubin  
John Bebeau  
Roger Bliven  
George Boyd  
Leon Bourget  
Joseph E. Brunettex  
Elmer Bradley  
Carl R. Bresciani  
James E. Brown  
Roger V. Burns  
William F. Burrill, Jr.  
Robert Carchio  
Robert Cosetta  
Roy Cutter  
Henry L. Cyr  
John Deiana  
Alfred DeLuca  
Charles H. Dillon  
Lucien Dubois  
William Earl  
Alphonse Fruit  
Raymond J. Gaffney, Jr.  
William B. Gannett  
Pacific Gerard  
Ellsworth Gifford  
John Hayes  
Alfred Hixon  
Arnold Hoel  
Augustine A. Homand  
Earl Killion  
Fred L. Knox

George Lemon  
Nicholas J. Lioce, Jr.  
Augusto Lucciarini  
Anthony Manzola  
Kenneth McGill  
Perry K. MacNevin  
James Mohan  
Gilbert Moore  
John Moran, Jr.  
Walter Morey, Jr.  
Louis A. Mussulli  
Arnold F.J. Nealley, Jr.  
Robert Phillips  
Robert Pierce  
C. Victor Pepper  
Victor Person  
W. Allen Reed, Jr.  
Normand Reed  
Albert Rizzi  
Otis Rose  
Emilio T. Rota  
Harland Seymour  
William Sainio  
Hugh Smith  
Frederick Sprague  
Carl Stanas  
Henry G. Stevenson  
Joseph Sullivan  
Robert B. Taylor, Jr.  
F. Wilder Temple  
James E. Till, Jr.  
Charles A. Watson  
Frank White  
Richard Williams

Gerard Lavergne

## TOWN EMPLOYEES — 1968

### TOWN HALL

Westley Burton, Office Manager  
Alice S. Boyd  
Barbara M. Adams  
Nancy J. Norling

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

W. Chester Sanborn, Chief  
Raymond J. Gaffney, Sergeant  
John L. Moran  
Robert M. Phillips  
Robert B. Taylor, Jr.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Charles A. Watson, Chief  
Alfred J. Bliss  
Edward Collins  
Herbert S. Durgin  
Robert A. Hammond  
Robert K. Lamora  
Donald A. Moore  
Robert A. Rocks  
James F. Woolhiser

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

John J. Johnson, Superintendent  
Paul H. Blatz, Foreman  
Albert P. Carnaroli  
Charles F. Gaffney  
Charles R. Gaffney  
Martin F. Gritte  
George R. Moore

### LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

Constance L. Clark, Librarian  
Marjorie E. Hattersley,  
Assistant Librarian  
Elizabeth A. Butcher  
Branch Librarian  
Mary C. Ohlson  
Deborah Potty  
Gerald M. Dee, Custodian

### WATER DEPARTMENT

George K. Allen, Superintendent  
Charles T. Costigan  
Edward L. Graveson

### PARK DEPARTMENT

Benjamin Phillips, Jr. (resigned)  
Nicholas J. Lioce, Jr.



# HOPEDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Donald S. Dow, Superintendent

## JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Albert C. Sayles, Princkapl  
Mr. Robert F. Pagnini, Asst. Princ.  
Mr. John B. Atwood, Guidance  
Mrs. Margaret G. Allen  
Mr. Stanton T. Baker  
Miss Frances H. Bradley  
Mrs. Concetta Brucato  
Mr. Louis G. Cecco  
Mr. Charles P. Creager  
Mrs. Ruth Cupka  
Mr. George Dahlquist  
Mrs. Margaret Fairbanks  
Mr. Vincent Franco  
Mr. Larry French  
Mr. Francis Hanam  
Mr. Jack Haringa  
Mrs. Frances Horton  
Mrs. Ruth Howard  
Mrs. Kay Hudson  
Mr. Henry Kelley  
Mr. Bernard Kushlan  
Mr. E. Perry King  
Mrs. Nancy Lemelman  
Mrs. Jennie Macchi  
Miss Mary MacLaren  
Mrs. Fatima Marzetta  
Miss Miranda Mucciante  
Mr. Daniel Nicholson  
Mrs. Mary S. Perry  
Mrs. Florence E. Rose  
Mr. William Schavrien  
Mr. Douglas Schmidt  
Mr. Alan H. Schneider  
Mrs. Regina Stare  
Mrs. Leola Stearns  
Mrs. Cynthia Stephens  
Mr. Robert Tobin  
Mr. Stanley Wade  
Mr. H. Robert Zinck

Mrs. Pearl Karlin, Speech Therapist

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Mr. Roger J. Morell, Principal

## SPECIAL SUBJECT TEACHERS

Mrs. Brenda Ahlberg  
Mrs. Barbara Baker  
Mrs. Carolyn Cialdea  
Mrs. Alice Creighton  
Mrs. Elmira Giacomuzzi  
Mrs. Allegrine G. Reid

## DUTCHER STREET SCHOOL

Mrs. Marlyn Christensen  
Mrs. Frances L. Durgin  
Miss Mary I. Jokinen  
Mrs. Elizabeth Mongeon  
Mrs. Ruth O'Connor  
Mr. Lee Packard  
Miss Joyce Ripley  
Mrs. Ann Santacroce

## MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Mrs. Dorothy Antonellis  
Mrs. Dorothy P. Curtis  
Miss Dorothy D'Alessandro  
Mrs. Janice Fielder  
Mrs. Beverly Flansburg  
Mrs. Kathleen Gorman  
Mrs. Jacquelyn Kleya  
Mrs. Louise Long  
Mrs. Regina Metcalf  
Miss Charleen Miller  
Mrs. M. Frances Rae  
Mrs. Marguerite H. Stanas  
Mrs. Janet Wagman  
Miss C. Dorothy Wheatley

## PARK STREET SCHOOL

Mrs. Toby Chandler  
Mrs. Maureen Scholl  
Mrs. Margaret L. Stanas  
Mrs. Georgia Wells

## APPOINTED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

### SUPERINTENDENT

Donald S. Dow

### ATTENDING OFFICER

W. Chester Sanborn

### TEACHER AIDES

Mrs. Betty B. Bean  
Mrs. Margaret Derderian  
Mrs. Patricia Johnson  
Mrs. Gloria Lewis  
Mrs. Elaine Miller  
Mrs. Elizabeth Tattersall  
Mrs. Ann Valerio

### SCHOOL PHYSICIANS

John R. Cicchetti, M.D.  
Felix Perriello, M.D.

### SECRETARIES

Mrs. June S. Carlson  
Mrs. Georgette Castagnaro  
Mrs. Charlotte J. Dec  
Mrs. Norma L. Villani

### SCHOOL NURSE

Grace V. Moran, R.N.

### JANITORS

Mr. Domenic Comastra  
Mr. Theodore Griffith  
Mr. Alfred Tomassini  
Mr. Thorald Wells  
Mr. John Zicoella

### LUNCH PERSONNEL

Mrs. Frances Spear  
Mrs. Gladys Johnson  
Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson  
Mrs. Pia McDonough  
Mrs. Sadie Barrows  
Mrs. Amy Norman  
Mrs. Jean Guglielmi  
Mrs. Edith Berry  
Mrs. Jeanne Harmon  
Mrs. Anita Leoncini

### BUS DRIVERS

Ernest Bentley  
Domenic Comastra  
Lawrence Hughes  
Arthur Lussier  
Kenneth Silva  
Robert Wright

## SELECTMEN – GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND TOWN HALL

YEAR	EMPLOYEES	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES
1968	4	\$40,805.00	\$38,568.71
1967	4	34,500.00	34,485.12
1966	3	30,500.00	30,471.96

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen has held 25 regular meetings and several executive meetings during 1968. The regular meetings have been open to the public and have been attended by members of the press and the Clerk who have kept the townspeople informed on the business transacted.

Several resignations have been submitted during the year in various departments and appointments have been made to fill these vacancies.

During 1968 the Board processed and issued a total of 23 zoning permits. Licenses and permits were given out for a total of \$99.00 The amount of \$206.00 was turned over to the Selectmen by the Inspector of Wires, Albert J. Shimkus as income from wire permits. Residents are reminded that any electrical work must have the approval of the Wire Inspector as required by law.

C. VICTOR PEPPER, Chairman  
WILLIAM B. GANNET  
CARL R. BRESCIANI  
Board of Selectmen

## BOARD OF HEALTH

YEAR	EMPLOYEES	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES
1968	3	\$3,450.00	\$2,960.09
1967	3	3,450.00	2,197.88
1966	3	3,100.00	2,604.64

The Board of Health has held numerous meetings during the year and much investigation and work has been done in various parts of the town on inadequacies in sewerage systems. Residents with sewerage problems on their property have been asked to make repairs and, on the whole, cooperation has been excellent. The income from sewerage permits issued amounted to \$28.00 for the year. Milk permits were issued in the amount of \$18.00

Plumbing and Gas Inspector, Robert J. Rossetti, issued 78 plumbing and gas permits for 1968 for a total of \$463.00.

Certificates of approval were issued to the three local nursing homes after being inspected and evaluated by the Board. These certificates must be obtained before the State Department of Public Health can issue licenses to these homes.

C. VICTOR PEPPER, Chairman  
WILLIAM B. GANNETT  
CARL R. BRESCIANI  
Board of Health

## REPORT OF SANITATION OFFICER

To: Board of Selectmen — Hopedale, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Several sewage complaints were investigated in various areas of the town as requested by the Board of Health Office. Repairs to several sewage systems have been made by townspeople as directed by the Board of Health and Sanitation Officer. Cooperation from residents as a whole has been very good in eliminating sewage problems in areas where they existed.



Sewage permits are required by residents making repairs to present sewage systems or installations of new septic systems and these are inspected by me as work progresses on same. Sewage permits are applied for and paid for at Board of Health Office from Clerk of Selectmen.

To date income from Sewage permits amounts to \$28.00.

The program for the bathing area testing of water for the Park Department was conducted this summer as usual in cooperation with the State Department of Public Health. This program started in June and continued through August with water being collected at bathing area every two weeks and delivered to the Department of Public Health Office at Rutland, Mass. for testing the same day. Reports on these tests were very good during bathing season.

Respectfully submitted,  
ROBERT P. WOOD  
Sanitation Officer

### CIVIL DEFENSE REPORT

YEAR	EMPLOYEES	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES
1968	1	\$ 841.90	\$554.08
1967	1	943.30	601.40
1966	1	1,289.92	846.62

Our local C.D. Headquarters are now located in the Town of Whitinsville.

Eight local Communications tests were made during the year.

Four State wide Alerts.

Two National Alerts.

We again appreciate the assistance given our communications services and would state here that any residents wishing to visit the Framingham C.D. underground Headquarters are welcome by getting in touch with your Local director.

C. VICTOR PEPPER  
CURVILLE COX  
WILLIAM BURRILL

## TOWN CLERK REPORT

The Town Clerk, in practically all instances, is the custodian of all official town records which have been compiled in his office. Records of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, as well as all the votes taken at Town Meetings, are complete from the year 1886, when the Town was incorporated and separated from the Town of Milford. In this office, the records of the Registrars of Voters are also maintained, as the Town Clerk is Clerk, ex-officio of that board.

Many legal requirements at the time of a Town Meeting are discharged by the Town Clerk. All By-Laws and Amendments, voted by the meeting, must be submitted to the Attorney-General for his approval. Unless this is obtained, the By-Laws or Amendments do not become effective. If approval is received, then the By-Laws or Amendments must be published three times, a week apart in the local newspaper, before they can become valid.

Chattel mortgages, including those on automobiles and household goods, must also be recorded and discharged with the Town Clerk. Marriage intentions are filed and marriage licenses issued by this office. Other licenses issued include those for hunting and fishing, dog licenses, and annual renewal permits for storage of gasoline.

The Town Clerk has many duties concerning elections, including the processing of nomination papers, the printing of the ballots for town elections, the supervision of elections and its workers, and the compilation of the total vote cast for each candidate.

VITAL					
STATISTICS	1968	1967	RECEIPTS	1968	1967
Births	47	54	Dog Lic.	\$ 757.00	\$ 812.50
Marriages	37	45	Fish &		
Deaths	59	82	Game Lic.	1,765.50	1,564.00

MORTIMER C. DENNETT  
Town Clerk

# REPORT OF THE HOPEDALE PLANNING BOARD

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 1968

The Planning Board acted upon ten applications for endorsement of plans believed not to require approval. The Board approved and endorsed eight of the applications and denied endorsement and approval on two as not conforming to Town By-Laws.

The Planning Board acted on one plan requiring approval. The Board held a Public Hearing and approved said plan upon posting of security to insure completion of ways.

JAMES W. RONAN

Chairman

EDWARD L. CONDON

Secretary

JOHN R. CICHETTI

CHARLES J. MONGEON

WILLIAM F. SELLER

## REPORT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

YEAR	EMPLOYEES	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES
1968	2	\$70,638.95	\$121,488.10
	U.S. Grants	61,869.82	
1967	2	83,277.41	156,347.68
	U.S. Grants	71,867.00	
1966	1	59,687.00	101,230.95
	U.S. Grants	43,886.22	
Town funds available in budget			\$ 70,638.95

Less: State Refunds	\$48,344.34	
Federal Balances Deposited	10,702.59	
Unused Funds	1,631.99	60,678.92
Net Town Funds Expended	\$ 9,960.03	\$ 9,960.03

The cost and administration of the entire welfare program was assumed by the state effective July 1, 1968.

The budget submitted covered the cost of the program for the period of January 1, 1968 through June 30, 1968.

FREDERICK H. HANNY  
Director of Public Welfare

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

YEAR	EMPLOYEES	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES
1968	106	\$695,800.00	\$694,904.34
1967	99	622,650.00	607,263.04
1966	93	572,550.00	564,383.77

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Members of the School Committee  
and the Citizens of Hopedale

The year 1968 may be regarded as one of change in the Hopedale school system. One of the most important areas of change was that of personnel. All four administrative positions below that of superintendent, as well as thirty per cent of the teaching staff have been involved. At the administrative level, Principal Donald P. Drake and Mr. Robert A. Berquist, assistant in charge of guidance, have moved to new positions elsewhere and have been replaced by Mr. Albert C. Sayles and Mr. John Atwood respectively. Mr. Roger Morell, elementary school principal, returned after a one-year leave of absence and Mr. Robert Pagnini joined the staff as assistant principal in the Junior-Senior High School.



At the teaching level fifteen teachers have left the employ of the Hopedale Schools for a variety of reasons. The change is a reflection of the times and is not abnormally high in the rank and file of school systems. Until very recent years, Hopedale has experienced a very low turnover of teachers. Today's teaching force, however, is more mobile, being largely a commuting group, and is less committed to remaining in a single school system than in the past. It is likely that this trend will continue. The school administration has made every effort to obtain competent replacements for those who have left and in this respect has been most fortunate.

With the influx of new personnel there are inevitable changes in the approach to teaching as well as in the curriculum itself. Three courses were added to the high school curriculum, Business Law, Data Processing, and a course in Speech. The content and approach in the various curriculum areas in the elementary schools continue to receive study and revision.

A factor which continues to foster change in the school system is the collective bargaining process taking place between teachers and school committees. Teachers are seeking and often receive a more active role in making the decisions which affect their own welfare as well as the education of their pupils. Some of the changes which are occurring in Hopedale include increased fringe benefits, alterations in the non-teaching duties teachers perform, and more adequate compensation for the various activities supervised. Teacher salaries continue to occupy a major amount of time in the bargaining process. Citizens should be aware of the amount of time required of school committee members to carry out these negotiations.

Major changes in the organization and control of the local schools were discussed this year. In line with state-proposed regulations, the School Committee engaged in serious talks with adjoining school committees concerning possible regionalization. A three-town school district was envisioned with the reorganized district in conformity with new state requirements as to size.

Questions concerning the use of existing facilities in Hopedale and its neighboring towns were surveyed and discussed.

Of overriding concern to all connected with public education is that of finance. How are the requirements of the budget to be met in the coming year and in the seventies in view of the burgeoning demands on the tax dollar both locally and at the state level? No thoughtful citizen can be unaware of the change taking place in school budgets. The figures at the

head of the School Committee report on this page will reveal annual increases of 6%, 7% and 13% respectively in school expenditures for the past three years. It is of little consolation to note that this increase is modest in comparison with a number of communities who experience in a single year the per cent of rise in Hopedale over the three year period. The crisis in municipal and state finance is of real concern, while at the same time the local community competes with others in the area to maintain its high standard of education.

Despite the changes indicated in this report, it is gratifying to be able to report that education in Hopedale continues on a high plane. We continue to prepare a high percentage of our youth for education beyond high school. Training in the basic skills of learning continues to improve. Greater competence in reading, for instance, continues to be evident in the elementary schools. Additional course offerings are made available, an example of which is the expanded shop instruction in the Junior-Senior High made possible by the two new Industrial Arts teachers now available.

The citizens of Hopedale have every reason to exhibit satisfaction in the quality of their schools. They are undoubtedly aware that the attainment of such high standards are not the result of chance but of the concerted effort of all concerned, school committee, administrators, teachers, students, and the citizens themselves. As superintendent, I wish to express genuine appreciation to all those who in any way contribute to the great undertaking of educating our youth.

DONALD S. DOW

EIGHTY-SECOND ANNUAL  
GRADUATION  
of the  
HOPEDALE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL  
WINBURN A. DENNETT AUDITORIUM  
WEDNESDAY EVENING  
JUNE THE TWELFTH  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHT  
AT SEVEN O'CLOCK

## PROGRAM

Processional — “Pomp and Circumstance”

Junior-Senior High School Band

Dennis Jonis, Director

“The Star Spangled Banner”

Junior-Senior High School Band

Invocation

REVEREND JOHN SIMPSON

Honors Speaker

Susan Leoncini

Music — “Climb Ev’ry Mountain”

Rodgers and Hammerstein

Honors Speaker

Anne Shimkus

Honors Speaker

Jayne Rossetti

Music — “You’ll Never Walk Alone”

Rodgers and Hammerstein

Presentation of Diplomas

NANCY F. GANNETT

Chairman of Hopedale School Committee

Presentation of Awards

DONALD P. DRAKE

Principal, Hopedale High School

Music — “Graduation Day”

Sherman and Sherman

Recessional — “Coronation March”

## GRADUATES

Alden, Edward F.  
Alves, Laura Louise  
Apicella, Joy Therese  
Bishop, Dennis R.  
Bishop, Sandra Louise †  
Bresciani, John Lawrence †  
Coffey, Francis Gordon  
Costanza, Thomas Eugene  
Cox, John †  
D'Alessandro, Gary Frank  
D'Alio, Jr., Michael Joseph  
Daudelin, Robert J.  
DeVita, Barbara Anne  
Duffy, Kathleen Ann  
Gorondy, Pearl Monica  
Hammond, Richard Lowell  
Harris, Jr., Kelsie  
Iacovelli, William Francis  
Leoncini, Susan Gail †  
Manning, Michael Peter  
Meade, David Eugene  
Moran, III, John Leo  
Morin, Raymond Leo

Neal, Mary Margaret  
Niro, Jr., Antonio Mark  
Pierce, Lois Ann  
Rae, Diane Susan  
Ray, Cynthia Ann  
Ray, Judith Ann  
Reed, William A. †  
Rehbein, Karen Elaine †  
Rose, Steven A.  
Rossetti, Jayne Ellen †  
Schacht, Joan Carol  
Shimkus, Anne Marie †  
Spencer, Denise R.  
Sprague, Donald MacLeod  
Stearns, Robert S.  
Strapponi, Nancy M.  
Sullivan, Marie Elaine  
Thibault, Jr., Harrison Nelson †  
Tomassini, Alfred Anthony  
Villani, Deborah Joan  
Williams, Cynthia Louise  
Wright, Bruce Clayton  
Zersky, Jr., Frank F.

† National Honor Society

### CLASS OFFICERS

President, Robert Stearns  
Vice President, Francis Coffeey  
Secretary, Joy Apicella  
Treasurer, Mary Neal

Class Motto: A majority is one man with courage.

Class Flower: Yellow Rose

Class Colors: Blue and White

### JUNIOR CLASS MARSHALLS

Linda Tomassini  
Paul Tosches



# HOPEDALE JUNIOR—SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

## AWARDS 1968

### *Awarded at Graduation Ceremony*

#### *Hopedale Police Association Awards* \$50.00 (2)

These awards shall be presented annually at graduation — to the senior boy and girl who have shown, while a student in the Hopedale Junior-Senior High School, exceptional qualities of character and conduct within the community, making them a credit to their parents, their church, and their school.

Boy	Michael Manning
Girl	Sandra Bishop

#### *American Legion Award* \$25.00 Savings Bonds (2)

For good citizenship shown in school given by Walter H. Tillotson Post No. 267.

Boy (Legion)	Michael Manning
Girl (Auxiliary)	Joan Schacht

#### *Milford Rotary Club Scholarship* \$250.00

For four year excellence in scholarship     Anne Marie Shimkus

#### *Hopedale Teachers Association Awards* \$250.00 (2)

For good scholarship and to one who will study for the teaching profession

Alfred Tomassini	Karen Rehbein
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#### *Class of 1956 Social Studies Award* \$5.00

For excellence in social studies John Cox

#### *Class of 1959 Frances L. Holmes Award* \$5.00

For excellence in English Jayne Rossetti

#### *Charles J. Tasker Memorial Scholarship* \$300.00

For that senior who has shown the greatest scholastic improvement and exhibited an outstanding character as well

Frank Zersky

*Hopedale Community House Women's Club Scholarship* \$200.00  
In recognition of outstanding achievement in scholarship  
and citizenship Karen Elaine Rehbeing

*Class of 1962 Mathematics Award* \$10.00  
For excellence in mathematics Jayne Rossetti

*The Lloyd Fitzgerald Plaque*  
To that student exhibiting outstanding accomplishments in  
athletics and scholarship and the qualities of a gentleman.  
John Bresciani

*The Class of 1962 Music Award* \$10.00  
To the student showing exceptional interest in the field of  
music while in high school William Reed

*F. Carlton Miner Scholarship Award* \$100.00  
To that senior boy or girl planning to further his or her educa-  
tion, who has participated in athletics, shown a curiosity in  
academic work, developed and practices the attributes of a  
scholar, sportsman, and true gentleman or lady  
Alfred Tomassini

*Daughters of the American Revolution*  
To that senior girl outstanding in leadership, dependability,  
service and patriotism Susan Leoncini

*Mathematical Association of America* Jayne Rossetti

*Future Nurses Club Awards* \$15.00 (2)  
Laura Alves  
Cynthia Williams

*The Business Club Awards* \$25.00 (2)  
Michael Manning  
Joan Schacht

*Hopedale High School Alumni Association Scholarship Awards*

John Bresciani – \$400.00  
Michael Manning – \$400.00  
Jayne Rossetti – \$400.00  
Alfred Tomassini – \$400.00

*Hopedale High School Alumni Honor Class of 1943*

*Scholarship Award*

Francis Coffey – \$200.00

*Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award*

In recognition of outstanding academic achievement, good character and superior intellectual promise in the field of science

Anne Marie Shimkus

*The Robert Irving Bramhall Music Award*

\$10.00 (2)

given by Mrs. Allegrine Guez Reid in the memory of Mr. Bramhall, to those seniors who have contributed the most time and talent to the Junior-Senior High School Music Program during the past six years

John Moran  
William Reed

## TOWN MEETING

March 4, 1968

Pursuant to Warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, duly qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, met in the Hopedale Community House, the fourth day of March, and punctually at nine o'clock in the forenoon were called to order by the Moderator of said Town, then and there to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for the following named officers, to wit:

One Selectman for three years, Town Clerk for one year, Treasurer for one year, Tax Collector for one year, one Assessor for three years, one member of the School Committee for three years, one Trustee of Public Library for three years, one Road Commissioner for three years, one Park Commissioner for three years, one Commissioners of Trust Funds for three years, one member of the Housing Authority for five years, one member of Planning Board for five years, five Constables for three years, one Tree Warden for one year.

The polls will close at 8:00 o'clock P.M.

On motion of Mr. John D. Gannett, and duly seconded, action on the Articles in the Town Warrant to be taken up for disposition on Tuesday evening, March 5, 1968, in the Winburn A. Dennett Auditorium, at seven-thirty o'clock P.M., was carried unanimously.

Forthwith the Election of Town Officers as set forth in the Warrant took place.

At the Town Election, March 4, 1968, there were 1623 Ballots cast for the following officers, those indicated by an \* were declared elected:

- \* 872 Votes for Selectman — Carl R. Bresciani — 3 Years
- 742 Votes for Selectman — John A. Dawe
- \*1371 Votes for Town Clerk — Mortimer C. Dennett — 1 Year
- \*1306 Votes for Treasurer — Anthony D. Perry — 1 Year
- \*1317 Votes for Tax Collector — A Harold Soderberg — 1 Year
- \*1268 Votes for Assessor — Alfred A. Norman — 3 Years
- \*1228 Votes for School Committee — Robert S. Phillips — 3 Years
- \*1231 Votes for Trustee of Public Library — Ann E. Huff — 3 Years
- \*1268 Votes for Road Commissioner — Donald R. Fafard — 3 Years
- \*1252 Votes for Park Commissioner — Roger W. Robbins — 3 Years



- \*1213 Votes for Commissioner of Trust Funds — Frederick F. Libby — 3 Years
- \* 752 Votes for Housing Authority — Harold W. Ward — 5 Years
- 481 Votes for Housing Authority — James E. Till, Jr.
- 339 Votes for Housing Authority — Arthur C. Johnson
- \*1197 Votes for Planning Board — William F. Seller — 5 Years
- \*1296 Votes for Constable — W. Chester Sanborn — 3 Years
- \*1281 Votes for Constable — Raymond J. Gaffney, Jr. — 3 Years
- \*1263 Votes for Constable — Robert M. Phillips — 3 Years
- \*1255 Votes for Constable — Robert J. Cosetta — 3 Years
- \*1240 Votes for Constable — Robert B. Taylor — 3 Years
- \*1297 Votes for Tree Warden — W. Chester Sanborn — 1 Year
- 1 Vote for Tree Warden — Paul H. Blatz
- 1 Vote for Tree Warden — Edwin A. Howard

Of the above named elected Town Officers, the following were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties:

By Moderator: — Mortimer C. Dennett

By the Town Clerk: — Carl R. Bresciani, Anthony D. Perry, A. Harold Soderberg, Alfred A. Norman, Robert S. Phillips, Ann E. Huff, Donald R. Fafard, Roger W. Robbins, Frederick F. Libby, Harold W. Ward, William F. Seller, Robert J. Cosetta, Raymond J. Gaffney, Jr., Robert M. Phillips, W. Chester Sanborn, Robert B. Taylor, W. Chester Sanborn.

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN BUSINESS MEETING**

**March 5, 1968**

And in the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid you are further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Winburn A. Dennett Auditorium on Tuesday, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the 5th day of March, A.D., then and there to act upon the following articles:

Article 1. Voted: Unanimously (Part 1), that the reading of all reports as printed in the Town Report be dispensed with, and that the said reports be accepted as printed (Part 2), that the Reading of the Report of the Hopedale Finance Committee be dispensed with, and that the Report, as printed and distributed at this meeting be received and placed in the records.

## REPORT OF THE HOPEDALE TOWN FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Hopedale:

In accordance with its duty, as provided in the By-Laws of the Town of Hopedale, the Finance Committee has given careful consideration to all Articles in the Town Warrant which involve the expenditure of money, and presents in this report its recommendations on such Articles. During its consideration of the appropriation requests, the Committee obtained information from and consulted with various departments and officials of the Town.

The appropriations for 1968 recommended by the Finance Committee amount to a total of \$1,452,765 compared with \$1,302,972 last year, an increase of \$149,793. The largest increases are as follows:

School Department	\$73,150
Water Department	14,650
Veterans' Benefits	14,500
Highway Department — General	7,480
Fire Department — General	7,450
Police Department — General	5,490
Reserve Fund	5,000

The Committee's recommendations on amounts to be appropriated are indicated in the right-hand column of pages 4 through 9 of this report. Our special comments on certain of the articles to be voted upon, as well as on other matters, follow.

Article 3 is the principal appropriation article, covering the operating expenses of the town, and other regular and recurring items such as bond retirement and interest. While all of these items will be brought before the Town Meeting under this one Article, any of them may be discussed or acted upon separately.

As of July 1, 1968, all Public Welfare costs will be assumed by the State. Accordingly, the recommendations for 1968 only reflect estimated expenses for the first six months of the year.

Under Article 11, the Committee is requesting an appropriation of \$15,000 for the Reserve Fund, an increase of \$5,000 over last year. This is the only money available during the year, without calling a Special Town Meeting, for any extra-ordinary or unforeseen expenditures. During 1967, the Committee had to use substantially all of the Reserve Fund for the following accounts:

Insurance	\$ 675.65
Highway Department	
General Maintenance	7,000.00
Police Department	1,500.00
Fire Department	799.35
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	<u>\$9,975.00</u>

The Committee recommends that under Article 24 the sum of \$30,000 be transferred from available funds (or free cash) to apply against the tax rate for 1968. The amount of the town's available funds at January 1, 1968 as certified by the State Director of Accounts was \$63,425. Last year there was a balance of \$72,341. of available funds of which \$35,000 was used at the Annual Town Meeting. Available funds result from unexpended appropriations plus or minus the difference between actual and estimated amounts or other items used in fixing the tax rate.

If the recommendations of the Finance Committee are followed, there will be total appropriations of \$1,452,765; with transfers of \$35,997 from free cash and other funds available, a net total of \$1,416,768 will be used by the Assessors in Fixing the tax rate. At the time this report went to the printer, the State had not furnished the Board of Assessors with amounts they must use for certain County and State assessments and the Town's share of the Local Aid Fund (sales, income and corporation taxes, etc.). These factors could affect our tax rate by several dollars, either up or down.

On the basis of information obtained from the Assessors, we estimate that the 1968 assessed valuation of the Town will be approximately \$23,362,000, compared with a valuation of \$23,312,000 in 1967. The following condensed summary shows how the 1967 tax rate was determined and our present estimate for 1968. This indicates a 1968 tax rate of \$41.50, an increase of \$6.50 over 1967.

	1967	Estimate for 1968	Increase (Decrease)
Estimated Expenditures:			
Appropriations	\$1,302,972	\$1,452,765	\$149,793
County and State assessments	86,773	82,219*	( 4,554)
Deficiencies	14,733	1,104	( 13,629)
Overlay for tax abatements	41,913	42,000	87
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Total Expenditures	1,446,391	1,578,088	131,697
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Estimated Receipts:			
State Local Aid Fund (Sales, income and corporation taxes, etc.)	388,040	385,000*	( 3,040)
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	120,000	120,000	—
Water Rates	52,790	59,670	6,880
All Other	7,091	7,923	832
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Total Receipts	567,921	572,593	4,672
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Net Expenditures	878,470	1,005,495	127,025
 Less—Amount to be transferred from free cash and other funds available			
	62,541	35,997	( 26,544)
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Balance to be raised by taxation	\$ 815,929	\$ 969,498	\$153,569
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Assessed Valuation	\$23,312,250	\$23,362,000	
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Tax Rate	\$35.00	\$41.50	

\*1967 actual amounts used for items not yet advised by state.



Using the foregoing estimated assessed valuation for 1968, each \$23,400 of appropriations affects our tax rate by \$1.00.

Following is a list of appropriations requests with amounts recommended by the Finance Committee, arranged in the order in which they are expected to be presented to the Annual Town Meeting. Comparisons with 1967 appropriations are also shown.

	Comparable 1967 Appro- priations	Expended 1967	Recom- mended for 1968
<b>Article 3</b>			
<b>General Government:</b>			
General administration expenses (including \$450 for out of state travel)	\$ 29,000	\$ 29,000	\$ 34,805
Salaries of elected town officials	6,050	6,050	6,050
Town Accountant	600	600	600
Town Counsel	750	750	750
Planning Board expenses	100	35	100
Town Hall expenses	5,500	5,485	6,000
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>			
Police Department:			
General, Maintenance & equipment	44,175*	43,845	48,165
New cruiser	—	2,964	2,000
Fire Department:			
General, maintenance and equipment	77,124*	77,120	83,775
New vehicle	—	—	2,800
Civilian Defense	500	601	500
Tree Warden (not including insect pest or Dutch Elm disease control)	2,000	1,999	2,000
<b>Health and Sanitation:</b>			
Board of Health	3,450	2,198	3,450
Collection of garbage & refuse	16,000	15,985	16,000

	Comparable 1967 Appro- priations	Expended 1967	Recom- mended for 1968
<b>Highways:</b>			
Highway Department (general expenses, including mainten- ance and repairs of streets, bridges, sidewalks, and equipment)	\$ 89,500*	\$ 89,450	\$ \$ 89,980
New equipment	7,000	6,153	15,000
<b>Street Lighting:</b>			
Street lighting	11,000	11,000	11,500
<b>Public Welfare: (1968 Appropriations for six months only)</b>			
Public welfare administration and general relief	3,500	2,151**	2,000
Administration expense in connection with old age assistance, aid to dependent children, and disability assistance	7,500	7,073	4,500
Appropriated special Town Meeting	2,000*	—	—
General Assistance, including aid to dependent children, dis- ability assistance and medical aid	60,000	68,288	62,000
Appropriated special Town Meeting	5,000*	—	—
<b>Veterans' Services:</b>			
Veterans' Benefits	14,000	22,914	28,500
Appropriated special Town Meeting	15,000*	—	—

	Comparable 1967 Appro- priations	Expended 1967	Recom- mended for 1968
<b>Schools:</b>			
School Department (general operation and maintenance, including \$200 for out of state travel)	622,650	607,263	695,800
<b>Library:</b>			
Library Department (including State Aid Grant under Chapter 78; plus money received from County for dog tax)	13,975	18,701**	\$ 17,077
<b>Recreation:</b>			
Park Department:			
General operation and maintenance (plus income from the Park Department trust fund)	19,375	19,356**	21,970
Conservation Commission	1,300	1,053	1,700
Memoria			
<b>Unclassified:</b>			
Insurance	13,176*	13,176	13,100
Contributory Group Insurance	12,000	11,713	12,000
Non-contributory pensions	10,400	10,493	10,705
Memorial Day expenses	500	438	500
<b>Utilities:</b>			
Water Department	47,300	46,474	61,950
Water Supply search and survey	7,500	1,810	—
<b>Cemeteries:</b>			
Town Cemetery:			
(plus money received from sale of Cemetery lots)	400	366**	400

	Comparable 1967 Appro- priations	Expended 1967	Recom- mended for 1968
<b>Maturing Debt and Interest:</b>			
Maturing school bonds	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000
Interest on school bonds	30,808	30,808	23,390
Maturing water bonds	13,000	13,000	13,000
Interest on water bonds	520	520	260
Maturing bridge bonds	4,000	4,000	4,000
Interest on bridge bonds	896	896	768
Interest on temporary loans	10,500	7,442	10,500
Total budget items (Article 3)	1,266,049		1,392,595
Appropriated special			
Town Meeting	22,000		—

### SPECIAL ARTICLES

#### Article 9

Insect pest control	4,000	4,000	4,000
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#### Article 10

Dutch Elm disease control (plus receipts from County under Chapter 132)	2,000	2,105	2,000
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#### Article 11

Reserve fund	10,000	9,975	15,000
Transfers to other accounts (	9,975)	( 9,975)	—

#### Article 12

Street maintenance, Chapter 90	1,200	1,194	1,200
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#### Article 13

Adin Street improvement, Chapter 90	3,000	—	3,000
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	Comparable 1967 Appro- priations	Expended 1967	Recom- mended for 1968
<b>Article 15</b>			
Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational School District, Share of capital and operation costs	16,432	16,431	16,651
<b>Article 17</b>			
Central Massachusetts Regional Planning District	266	266	319
<b>Article 20</b>			
Four Wheel Dump Truck	—	—	4,000
<b>Article 21</b>			
New Fire Truck (balance to be financed by Bond Issue)	—	—	3,000
<b>Article 23</b>			
Sewer Survey	—	—	11,000
<b>1967 Special Articles Not Repeated:</b>			
Cutler Street	500	457	—
Hopedale Street improvements	9,500	9,496	—
Total Appropriations	1,302,972		1,452,765
Total Appropriated special Town Meeting	22,000		—
	1,324,972		1,452,765
<b>Deduct:</b>			
<b>Article 7</b>			
Transfer from Library funds available as State Aid Grant under Chapter 78	997		



	Comparable 1967 Appro- priations	Expended 1967	Recom- mended for 1968
<b>Article 24</b>			
Transfer from Available Funds ("Free Cash")	35,000	—	30,000
<b>Other Transfers:</b>			
From Isabella Chase Fund	5,000	—	5,000
From Overlay Surplus	9,500	—	—
From funds available under Chapter 679	12,044	—	—
Net Amount	<u>\$1,262,431</u>		<u>\$1,416,768</u>

\*Includes amounts appropriated at special meeting or transferred between accounts.

\*\*Includes amounts received from Trust Funds or from State or County.

Respectfully submitted,

HOPEDALE TOWN FINANCE COMMITTEE

ARTHUR C. YOUNG, Chairman  
 PETER S. ELLIS, Vice Chairman  
 JOHN D. GANNETT, Clerk  
 JOHN L. CARRIER  
 ROBERT D. DONLEY  
 GEORGE L. HARLOW  
 RALPH B. JACKSON  
 GEORGE A. MONGIAT  
 JAMES H. RICHARDSON

Article 2. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town fix the salaries and compensation of Elected Officers as follows:

Moderator	\$ 50.00
Town Clerk	1,000.00
Town Treasurer	600.00
Tax Collector	1,000.00
Chairman, Board of Selectmen	600.00
2nd Member, Board of Selectmen	300.00
3rd Member, Board of Selectmen	300.00
Chairman, Board of Assessors	1,000.00
2nd Member, Board of Assessors	500.00
3rd Member, Board of Assessors	500.00
Tree Warden	<u>200.00</u>
	\$6,050.00

Article 3. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate sums as follows:

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT:**

General Administration Expenses (including \$450 for out of state travel)	\$34,805.00
Salaries of Elected Town Officials	6,050.00
Town Accountant	600.00
Town Counsel	750.00
Planning Board Expenses	100.00
Town Hall Expenses	6,000.00

**PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:**

Police Department (General, Maintenance and Equipment)	48,165.00
New Cruiser	2,000.00
Fire Department (General, Maintenance and Equipment)	83,775.00
New Vehicle	2,800.00
Civilian Defense	500.00
Tree Warden (not including Insect Pest or Dutch Elm Disease Control)	2,000.00

**HEALTH AND SANITATION:**

Board of Health	3,450.00
Collection of Garbage and Refuse	16,000.00

**HIGHWAYS:**

Highway Department (General Expenses, including Maintenance and Repairs of streets, bridges, sidewalks, and equipment)	89,980.00
New Equipment	15,000.00

**STREET LIGHTING:**

Street Lighting	11,500.00
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**PUBLIC WELFARE: (1968 Appropriations for six months only)**

Public Welfare Administration and General Relief	2,000.00
Administration Expense in connection with Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children, and Disability Assistance	4,500.00
General Assistance, including Aid to Dependent Children, Disability Assistance and Medical Aid	62,000.00

**VETERANS' SERVICES:**

Veterans' Benefits	28,500.00
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**SCHOOLS:**

School Department (General Operation and Maintenance, including \$500 for out of state travel)	695,800.00
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**LIBRARY:**

Library Department (including State Aid Grant under Chapter 78; plus money received from County Dog Tax)	17,077.00
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**RECREATION:**

Park Department (General Operation and Maintenance, plus income from the Park Department trust fund)	21,970.00
Conservation Commission	1,700.00

**UNCLASSIFIED:**

Insurance	13,100.00
Contributory Group Insurance	12,000.00
Non-contributory pensions	10,705.00
Memorial Day Expenses	500.00

**UTILITIES:**

Water Department (see Foot-note page 79)	66,950.00
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**CEMETERIES:**

Town Cemetery (plus money received from sale of Cemetery lots):	400.00
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**MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST:**

Maturing School Bonds	80,000.00
Interest on School Bonds	28,390.00
Maturing Water Bonds	13,000.00
Interest on Water Bonds	260.00
Maturing Bridge Bonds	4,000.00
Interest on Bridge Bonds	768.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	10,500.00

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TOTAL BUDGET ITEMS (Article 3)	\$1,392,595.00
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**SPECIAL ARTICLE**

Insect Pest Control (Article 9)	4,000.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control (Article 10) (plus receipts from County under Chapter 132)	2,000.00
Reserve Fund (Article 11)	15,000.00
Street Maintenance, Chapter 90, Article 12	1,200.00
Adin Street Improvement, Chapter 90, Article 13	3,000.00
Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational School District Share of Capital and Operation Costs (Article 15)	16,651.00
Central Massachusetts Regional Planning District (Article 17)	319.00
Four Wheel Dump Truck, Article 20	4,000.00
New Fire Truck (balance to be financed by bond Issue) (Article 21)	3,000.00
Sewer Survey, Article 23	11,000.00

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TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,457,765.00
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## DEDUCT:

### Article 7

Transfer from Library funds available as State Aid

Grant under Chapter 78	\$	996.75
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### Article 24

Transfer from Available Funds ("Free Cash")	30,000.00
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### Other Transfers:

From Isabella Chase Fund	5,000.00
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From Funds Available (Water Dept. — Search and Survey Appropriation)	5,000.00
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NET TOTAL	\$1,416,768.25
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(To be raised by taxation)

Article 4. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial year beginning January 1, 1968, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Article 5. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money on and after January 1, 1969, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1969, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Article 6. Voted: Unanimously, that the sum of \$368.69 refunded from the County on account of the Dog Tax be transferred to the Library Department.

Article 7. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town authorize the Treasurer to transfer to the Library Department the sum of \$996.75 received in 1967, representing an annual State Aid Grant for Free Public Libraries, from the Department of Education, Division of Library Extension, in accordance with Chapter 78, Section 19-A.



Article 8. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the Town.

Article 9. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for Insect Pest Control, as required by Chapter 132, General Laws, and as amended by Chapter 657, "Acts of 1956".

Article 10. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the suppression of Dutch Elm Disease as required by Chapter 132, of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 657 of the "Acts of 1956", and also appropriate any funds received from the County of Worcester as a grant, in accordance with Chapter 132, Section 26—D as amended, of the General Laws.

Article 11. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate \$15,000 for a Reserve Fund.

Article 12. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200 for Maintenance of streets under Chapter 90, to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in relation thereto.

Article 13. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Construction on Adin Street, the same to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen and to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in relation thereto.

Article 14. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town transfer \$75.00 from the sale of lots to the Town Cemetery Account.

Article 15. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,651.00 for capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, being the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bonds in the current year, together with expenses of school operation during this year.

Article 16. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to amend the Agreement Between the Towns of Bellingham, Balckstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Jilford, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge, Upton, and Millbury, with Respect to the Establishment of a Regional Vocational High School District, so that the annual meeting will

take place on the first regular meeting in April of each year instead of the first day of April.

Article 17. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$319.00 to pay costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission District for the year 1968, Section 7, Chapter 40B of the General Laws.

Article 18. Voted: Unanimously, that Chapter X of the Town By-Laws be amended by adding at the end of the first paragraph of Section 1, the following:

“There shall also be two associate members of said Board of Appeals who shall each be appointed by the Selectmen for a term of one year”.

Article 19. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town adopt the following By-Law:

“That any board or officer in charge of a department of the Town may, with the approval of the Selectmen, sell any personal property of the Town within the possession or control of the department which has become obsolete or is not required for further use by the department, and which does not in the opinion of the Selectmen, exceed \$500. in value”.

Article 20. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to purchase a 4-Wheel Dump Truck with a nine-foot snow plow to be used jointly by the Park Department and the Highway Department and to authorize the Park Department to trade in a 1965 Jeep Truck as part payment therefor.

Article 21. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise the sum of \$27,000.00 for the purchase of a new Fire Truck of which \$3,000.00 to be appropriated in the current year's taxes, and the balance of \$24,000.00 to be raised by a five-year bond issue.

Article 22. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to rezone from “Suburban” to “Commercial” the area situated off the westerly side of West Street (Route 140), bounded as follows:

Southerly by land of one Henry;  
Westerly by Town of Hopedale Park Land;  
Northwesterly by Town of Hopedale Park Land;  
Easterly by the Town line between Hopedale and Milford.

Article 23. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000.00 for the purpose of studying the advisability of establishing a municipal sewage system. Said money to be expended and said study to be made by a special unpaid committee to be known as the Municipal Sewage Study Committee consisting of seven registered voters of the Town appointed by the Moderator. Said committee to report back to the Town with its recommendations at the next Annual Town Meeting. The Moderator shall designate one person as temporary chairman for the purpose of calling the first meeting of said committee.

Article 24. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town authorize and direct the Assessors to take a sum of \$30,000 from available funds, plus \$5,000 from the Isabella Chase Fund, a total of \$35,000, to reduce the Tax Levy for the current year.

On motion of Arthur C. Young the Warrant was dissolved at 10:14 P.M.

There were 240 Registered Voters present. 50 required for quorum.

\*Under Article 3 (Heading – Utilities – Water Department):

Budget called for \$61,950.00, but Mr. James H. Richardson offered an Amendment to this particular item, namely:

“Moved that the budget of the Water Department be increased by the sum of \$5,000.00 for the purpose of remedying, or learning the cost of correcting, the dirty water situation in certain areas of the Town, the amount of \$5,000.00 to be transferred from unexpended funds in the “Water Supply Research Survey Fund”.

Motion was unanimously passed, making the total budget for Water Department \$66,950.00.

Attest:

MORTIMER C. DENNETT  
Town Clerk

## PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

April 30, 1968

Pursuant to the Warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, duly qualified to vote in Primaries, and Town affairs, assembled at the Hopedale Community House, at 12 o'clock Noon, on the 30th day of April for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Primary Officers for the candidates as stated on the Warrant.

Promptly at 8:00 o'clock P.M. the Polls were declared closed and the ballot box was opened and 236 ballots taken therefrom.

The Tellers being duly sworn, as the law directs, began the counting.

At 10:15 P.M. the results were announced.

### REPUBLICAN BALLOT (83 cast)

#### Presidential Preference

John A. Volpe, Winchester	35
Richard Nixon	16
Nelson A. Rockefeller, New York	19
Ronald Reagan, California	4
Edward W. Brooke, Newton	1
Eugene J. McCarthy	2
Blanks	6

#### Delegates, 4th District

Albert A. Gammal, Jr., Worcester	74
Albert P. Manzi, Paxton	67
Blanks	25

#### Alternate Delegates, 4th District

William I. Randall, Framingham	69
Paul S. Morgan, Shrewsbury	63
Blanks	34

### State Committee (Men), 4th Worcester District

Alex M. Pappas, Auburn	76
Blanks	7

### State Committee (Women), 4th Worcester District

Mary A. DiBattista, Milford	68
Blanks	15

### DEMOCRATIC BALLOT (153 cast)

#### Presidential Preference

Eugene J. McCarthy	69
Hubert H. Humphrey	7
Robert F. Kennedy, New York	36
Nelson A. Rockefeller, New York	6
Lyndon Johnson, Texas	2
Benjamin F. Phillips, Sr., Hopedale	2
Blanks	31

#### Delegates, Group No. 1, 4th District

Joseph C. Casdin, Worcester	62
Mary E. Murphy, Framingham	57
Blanks	187

#### Alternate Delegates, Group No. 1, 4th District

Louis D. Silveri, Holden	40
Robert W. Baker, Worcester	46
Blanks	220

#### Delegates, Group No. 2, 4th District

William T. Buckley, Worcester	55
John J. Conte, Worcester	29
Blanks	222



### Alternate Delegates, Group No. 2, 4th District

John T. Dias, Framingham	38
Richard T. Courtney, Jr.	31
Blanks	237

### State Committee (Man), 4th Worcester District

John J. Casey, Milford	112
John P. Glowik, Auburn	18
Blanks	23

### State Committee (Woman), 4th Worcester District

Mary DePasquale Murray, Milford	94
Blanks	59

### Town Committee (Group)

Gemma M. Bresciani	110
John J. Bacon	96
Howard A. Fafard	97
Joseph G. Small	84
Harold W. Ward	96
Mary C. Bacon	87
Carl R. Bresciani	113
Robert S. Phillips	87
Charles A. Grillo	50
Edward L. Condon	70
Blanks	640

### Town Committee (Not Grouped)

Elizabeth T. Cox	63
Bruno E. Carnaroli	104
Benjamin F. Phillips, Sr.	1
Blanks	138

The foregoing making a total of 83 Republicans and 153 Democrats;  
a total of 236 Ballots cast.

Attest:

MORTIMER C. DENNETT  
Town Clerk

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 12, 1968

Pursuant to the Warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, duly qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, met punctually at eight o'clock P.M. at the Winburn A. Dennett Auditorium, on Thursday, the twelfth day of September next, and were called to order by the Moderator of said Town, who requested the Town Clerk to read the Warrant.

Article 1. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town approve the amount of debt (\$500.00) authorized on August 15, 1968 by the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee for the purpose of financing the construction and equipping of an addition to the Regional Vocational School and other costs incidental to thereto and connected therewith.

Article 2. Voted: Unanimously, that the vote passed March 5, 1968, Article 21 of the Warrant for 1968 Annual Town Meeting is hereby amended to read as follows:

That \$27,000 is appropriated for the purchase of a new Fire Truck, that to raise this appropriation \$3,000 shall be included in the 1968 tax levy and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to issue \$24,000 Bonds or Notes of the Town under G.L.C. 44, S. 7 (9).

Article 3. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to include Dutcher Street in Chapter 90 Construction by way of addition to the vote passed under Article 13 of the Warrant of the Annual Meeting of 1968.

There were 160 registered voters present and voting.

Necessary for a Quorum, 50.

The Warrant was dissolved at 8:33 P.M.

MORTIMER C. DENNETT  
Town Clerk

Hopedale, September 9, 1968

Selectmen C. Victor Pepper and William B. Gannett, Deputy Sheriff Nazzareno Baci, and Town Clerk Mortimer C. Dennett, met this date at 9:05 A.M. in the Town Hall, and Selectman William B. Gannett drew from the Juror Box the name of Leo J. Gartland, Accountant, 5 Howard Street, and C. Victor Pepper drew from the Juror Box the name of Frank H. Cedarholm, Retired, 9 Dennett Street, to serve as Traverse Jurors, at Worcester Superior Court, to be holden at Worcester on October 7, 1968, first Monday, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon.

MORTIMER C. DENNETT  
Town Clerk

# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Hopedale,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in Hopedale Community House in said Hopedale, TUESDAY, the SEVENTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1968, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	For 4th Congressional District
COUNCILLOR	For 7th Councillor District
SENATOR	For 4th Worcester District
2 REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT	For 8th Worcester District
COUNTY COMMISSIONER	For Worcester County
SHERIFF	For Worcester County

The Polls will be open from Twelve o'clock Noon, to Eight P.M.

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF AUGUST, A.D., 1968.

C. VICTOR PEPPER  
WILLIAM B. GANNETT  
CARL R. BRESCIANI  
Selectmen of Hopedale

A true copy.

Attest:

W. CHESTER SANBORN, Constable

Hopedale, September 17, 1968

I have complied with the requirements of this Warrant, by posting attested copies, in five public places in said Town, seven days before the time of said meeting, one of these places being the Town Hall.

W. CHESTER SANBORN  
Constable of Hopedale

A true copy of the Warrant and doings thereon.

MORTIMER C. DENNETT  
Town Clerk

Pursuant to the Warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, duly qualified to vote in Primaries and Town Affairs assembled at the Hopedale Community House in said Hopedale, at Twelve o'clock Noon, on Tuesday, the Seventeenth Day of September, 1968, for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices, as stated upon the Warrant.

At 8:00 P.M. the Polls were declared closed, and 430 ballots were taken from the Ballot Box.

(185 Republican Ballots — 245 Democratic Ballots)

The Tellers, being duly sworn, as the law requires and directs, began the counting.

At 9:10 o'clock P.M. the results were announced as follows:

REPUBLICAN BALLOT

CONGRESSMAN (Fourth District)

Howard A. Miller, Jr., Franklin  
Blanks

178  
7

COUNCILLOR (Seventh District)

NONE (Blanks) 185

SENATOR (Fourth Worcester District)

NONE (Blanks) 185

(2) REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT (Eighth Worcester District)

Edward M. Driscoll, Northbridge 176  
Merton A. Mowry, Douglas 163  
Blanks 31

(2) COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (Worcester County)

Israel Weisman, Worcester 166  
Blanks 204

SHERIFF (Worcester County)

John Grady, Uxbridge (Write-in) 35  
Blanks 150

DEMOCRATIC BALLOT

CONGRESSMAN (Fourth District)

Harold D. Donohue, Worcester 129  
Joseph C. Casdin, Worcester 115  
Blanks 1

COUNCILLOR (Seventh District)

Walter F. Kelly, Worcester 182  
Blanks 63

SENATOR (Fourth Worcester District)

James A. Kelly, Jr., Oxford 195  
Blanks 50



(2) REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT  
(Eighth Worcester District)

Frederick Leo Kenney, Uxbridge	157
Teddy H. Arakelian, Sutton	87
Anna G. Callahan, Blackstone	82
Thomas E. Creighton, Uxbridge	99
Blanks	65

(2) COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (Worcester County)

Joseph A. Aspero, Worcester	172
Paul X. Tivnan, Paxton	107
John A. DiPilato, Worcester	100
Blanks	111

SHERIFF (Worcester County)

Joseph A. Smith, Worcester	139
Albert P. DeAngelis, Worcester	90
Blanks	16

Attest:

MORTIMER C. DENNETT  
Town Clerk

**TOWN WARRANT**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Worcester ss.

To either Constable of the Town of Hopedale, in said County      Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in elections, to meet at the Hopedale Community House in said Town, on Tuesday, the fifth day of November A.D., 1968, it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday, punctually at seven o'clock in the forenoon at which time the polls will be open for said voters to give in their ballots to the Selectmen for:

Presidential Electors; Representative in Congress (Fourth District); Councillor (Seventh District); Senator (Fourth Worcester District); 2 Representatives in General Court (Eighth Worcester District); 2 County Commissioners (Worcester County); Sheriff (Worcester County); all on one ballot, designating the office intended for each person voted for. Also, upon said ballots the voters shall give in their votes, "Yes" or "No" on the following questions:

**QUESTION NO. 1**  
**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION**

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below, which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held June 16, 1965, received 210 votes in the affirmative and 26 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held May 10, 1967, received 220 votes in the affirmative and 9 in the negative?

YES ☐

NO ☐

**SUMMARY**

The proposed amendment of the Constitution increases from five days to ten days the period of time the Constitution gives the Governor to act upon measures passed by the Legislature and submitted to him for approval. No other changes are made in the several Constitutional provisions relative to action by the Governor upon such measures.

QUESTION NO. 2  
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below, which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held August 30, 1966, received 188 votes in the affirmative and 46 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held May 10, 1967, received 174 votes in the affirmative and 78 in the negative?

YES ☐

NO ☐

SUMMARY

The proposed amendment of the Constitution authorizes the Legislature to impose an income tax graduated according to total income, and authorizes the granting of reasonable exemptions, deductions and abatements, as an alternative to the exercise of the Legislature's existing power to tax income under Article 44 of the Amendments to the Constitution. Without limiting the foregoing authorization, the proposed amendment permits any such tax to be imposed at a uniform percentage of an individual's federal income tax liability or at graduated rates applied to his total income taxable federally, and it permits reasonable variations of any federal provision. It requires that the graduated rates, exemptions, and deductions be set without regard to the kind of income being taxed.

QUESTION NO. 3  
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below, which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held July 20, 1966, received 225 votes in the affirmative and 1 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held June 15, 1967, received 210 votes in the affirmative and 2 in the negative?

YES ☐

NO ☐

SUMMARY

The proposed amendment of the Constitution defines the circumstances in which a Governor's inability to perform his functions shall cause

his office to become vacant, and it establishes a procedure for making the necessary determinations. The office will become vacant following a declaration of disability by the Governor himself or by the Chief Justice and a majority of the Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, or such other body as the Legislature may provide. The vacancy will terminate four days after the Governor declares that no disability exists, unless (1) within that period the Chief Justice and majority of the Associate Justices, or such other body provided by the Legislature, should make a contrary declaration and (2) within another stated period the Legislature, by two-thirds of each branch present and voting, then determines the issue contrary to the Governor's declaration.

The same procedure will also apply to a Lieutenant Governor who in the case of a vacancy is performing the Governor's duties.

The proposed amendment also requires the election of a Governor for the unexpired balance of the four-year term if a vacancy in the office of Governor as described in the proposed amendment continues for a six-month period expiring more than five months prior to a biennial state election other than an election for Governor.

QUESTION NO. 4  
LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, upon which the House of Representatives did not vote and upon which the Senate did not vote?

YES ☐

NO ☐

SUMMARY

The proposed law provides that the official ballot in the biennial State election for the year 1970 shall contain a question asking the voters whether there shall be a convention in 1971 to (1) revise, alter or amend the constitution of the Commonwealth on the following subjects, insofar as they relate to the structure of government, and no others: the Executive Branch; the General Court; the Executive Council; the government of cities, towns and counties and their relationship to each other and to the government of the Commonwealth; (2) simplify and rearrange the constitution, and (3) provide methods of amendment thereof. The question will state that the convention shall not consider or propose any measure which relates to the Massachusetts Declaration of Rights, the provisions of the Massachusetts constitution concerning the "Judiciary Power" (other than provisions respecting the Executive Council), or any of

the excluded matters enumerated in Article XLVIII, II, Section 2 of the Massachusetts constitution. The question will fix the number of delegates to the convention at 150, of whom 20 members shall be members of the General Court; the remaining 130 members shall be elected by the voters in the manner summarized below. The question will also state that the convention shall conclude its business not later than 120 days from its first session.

The proposed law provides that if a majority of the votes on the foregoing question is in the affirmative, the convention shall be held in July, 1971 to revise, alter or amend the constitution on the matters enumerated above only. The House of Representatives and the Senate shall each elect as delegates 10 of its members, not more than 6 from each branch coming from the same political party. Of the remaining 130 delegates, 10 shall be elected at large and 120 shall be elected from the 40 senatorial districts, 3 from each. Provision is made for the manner of nominating and electing these 130 delegates, without party or political designation, for filling vacancies occurring in the position of any delegate, from whatever source chosen, and for the conduct of the convention's business.

Any revisions, alterations and amendments of the Massachusetts constitution adopted by the convention shall be submitted to the people at the State election in 1972 for their ratification and adoption in such manner as the convention may direct. If a majority of the people voting thereon ratify and adopt such revision, alteration or amendment, the constitution shall be deemed to be changed accordingly.

The proposed law provides that if the vote on the question to be submitted at the biennial State election in 1970 is in the affirmative, the Governor shall appoint a preparatory commission of 5 members to compile data to aid the convention in the discharge of its duties. Each member of the commission shall receive compensation of \$10,000 and the commission may expend a sum not in excess of \$200,000, as the Governor may approve, for its expenses.

#### QUESTION NO. 5

A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

YES ☐

NO ☐

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

YES ☐

NO ☐

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

YES ☐

NO ☐

D. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale of all alcoholic beverages by hotels having a dining room capacity of not less than ninety-nine persons and lodging capacity of not less than fifty rooms?

YES ☐

NO ☐

#### QUESTION NO. 6

“Shall the Commonwealth of Massachusetts retain capital punishment for crime?”

YES ☐

NO ☐

#### QUESTION NO. 7

“Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled ‘An Act authorizing the county commissioners of Worcester county to expend a certain sum of money annually for the purpose of advertising and promoting the recreational, cultural, historic and scenic advantages of said county’, be accepted?”

YES ☐

NO ☐



The Polls will be open from 7:00 A.M. until 8:00 P.M. on the said day.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least five public places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Clerk of said Town at the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, the 18th day of October A.D. 1968.

C. VICTOR PEPPER  
WILLIAM B. GANNETT  
CARL R. BRESCIANI  
Selectmen of Hopedale

Attest:  
W. CHESTER SANBORN  
Constable of Hopedale

Hopedale, November 5, 1968

I have complied with the requirements of this Warrant by posting attested copies, in five public places in said Town, seven days before the time of said meeting, one of these places being the Town Hall.

W. CHESTER SANBORN  
Constable of Hopedale

A true copy of the Warrant and doings thereon.

MORTIMER C. DENNETT  
Town Clerk

## TOWN MEETING

November 5, 1968

Pursuant to Warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in Town affairs, met at the Hopedale Community House on November 5, 1968, and punctually at seven o'clock in the forenoon, were called to order by the Warden who requested the Town Clerk to read the Warrant, after which the polls were declared open.

The cards of instructions and specimen ballots being previously posted, the ballot clerks and deputy ballot clerks were sworn to the faithful performance of their duty, the official ballots delivered to the presiding officer to the ballot clerks who receipted therefor.

The ballot box registered at zero and was shown to be empty, the same was locked and the key delivered to the presiding officer.

Voting then proceeded.

At 8:00 o'clock P.M. the Polls were declared closed.

The result was tabulated and at 1:00 A.M. was declared in open meeting as follows:

### ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Blomen and Taylor, Socialist Labor	1
Humphrey and Muskie, Democratic	1138
Humphrey and Muskie, Democratic (Partial Ballot)	2
Munn and Fisher, Prohibition	2
Nixon and Agnew, Republican	978
Wallace and Griffin, Independent	48
Blanks	22

### SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Harold D. Donohue, Democratic	902
Howard A. Miller, Jr., Republican	1239
Blanks	46

## COUNCILLOR, SEVENTH DISTRICT

Walter F. Kelly, Democratic	1565
Blanks	622

## SENATOR, Fourth Worcester District

James A. Kelly, Jr., Democratic	1566
Blanks	621

## REPRESENTATIVES IN THE GENERAL COURT 8th Worcester District

Frederick Leo Kenney, Democratic	1049
Thomas E. Creighton, Democratic	826
Edward M. Driscoll, Republican	1189
Merton A. Mowry, Republican	910
Blanks	400

## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (Worcester County)

Joseph A. Aspero, Democratic	1303
Paul X. Tivnan, Democratic	1080
Israel Weisman, Republican	1056
Blanks	935

## SHERIFF (Worcester County)

Joseph A. Smith, Democratic	1593
Blanks	594

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

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YES . . . 1323

NO . . . 377

### SUMMARY

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## QUESTION NO. 2

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YES . . . 517

NO . . . 1256

### SUMMARY

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of an individual's federal income tax liability or at graduated rates applied to his total income taxable federally, and it permits reasonable variations of any federal provision. It requires that the graduated rates, exemptions, and deductions be set without regard to the kind of income being taxed.

### QUESTION NO. 3 PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

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YES 1229

NO 369

### SUMMARY

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The proposed amendment also requires the election of a Governor for the unexpired balance of the four-year term if a vacancy in the office of Governor as described in the proposed amendment continues for a six-month period expiring more than five months prior to a biennial state election other than an election for Governor.

QUESTION NO. 4.  
LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, upon which the House of Representatives did not vote and upon which the Senate did not vote?

YES 771

NO 600

SUMMARY

The proposed law provides that the official ballot in the biennial State election for the year 1970 shall contain a question asking the voters whether there shall be a convention in 1971 to (1) revise, alter or amend the constitution of the Commonwealth on the following subjects, insofar as they relate to the structure of government, and no others: the Executive Branch; the General Court; the Executive Council; the government of cities, towns and counties and their relationship to each other and to the government of the Commonwealth; (2) simplify and rearrange the constitution, and (3) provide methods of amendment thereof. The question will state that the convention shall not consider or propose any measure which relates to the Massachusetts Declaration of Rights, the provisions of the Massachusetts constitution concerning the "Judiciary Power" (other than provisions respecting the Executive Council), or any of the excluded matters enumerated in Article XLVIII, II, Section 2 of the Massachusetts constitution. The question will fix the number of delegates to the convention at 150, of whom 20 members shall be members of the General Court; the remaining 130 members shall be elected by the voters in the manner summarized below. The question will also state that the convention shall conclude its business not later than 120 days from its first session.

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Any revisions, alterations and amendments of the Massachusetts constitution adopted by the convention shall be submitted to the people at the State election in 1972 for their ratification and adoption in such manner as the convention may direct. If a majority of the people voting thereon ratify and adopt such revision, alteration or amendment, the constitution shall be deemed to be changed accordingly.

The proposed law provides that if the vote on the question to be submitted at the biennial State election in 1970 is in the affirmative, the Governor shall appoint a preparatory commission of 5 members to compile data to aid the convention in the discharge of its duties. Each member of the commission shall receive compensation of \$10,000 and the commission may expend a sum not in excess of \$200,000, as the Governor may approve, for its expenses.

#### QUESTION NO. 5

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YES 804

NO 1119

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

YES 792

NO 1028

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

YES 867

NO 966

D. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale of all alcoholic beverages by hotels having a dining room capacity of not less than ninety-nine persons and lodging capacity of not less than fifty rooms?

YES 780

NO 996

#### QUESTION NO. 6

“Shall the Commonwealth of Massachusetts retain capital punishment for crime?”

YES 1137

NO 583

#### QUESTION NO. 7

“Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled ‘An Act authorizing the county commissioners of Worcester county to expend a certain sum of money annually for the purpose of advertising and promoting the recreational, cultural, historic and scenic advantages of said county’, be accepted?”

YES 923

NO 803

After the reading of the foregoing by the Presiding Officer, the check lists which were used by the Ballot Clerks and Checkers, together with the cancelled and unused ballots and Tally Sheets, were delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk.

Attest:

MORTIMER C. DENNETT  
Town Clerk

# LIST OF JURORS

JULY 1, 1968

NAME	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION
Robert F. Alger	37 Prospect Street	Maintenance
Barbara L. Allen	69 Bancroft Park	Housewife
Arthur M. Barrett	8 Cemetery Street	Retired
Grace A. Belforti	125 Mendon Street	Housewife
Arthur S. Bell	34 Bancroft Park	Elec. Eng.
Malcolm A. Bishop	41 Progress Street	Rigger
Gemma M. Bresciani	14 Pierce Street	Housewife
Paul L. Bresciani	19 Home Park Avenue	Asst. Foreman
John A. Carlson	19 Dana Park	Tool Contr.
Hazel D. Caufield	126A Mendon Street	Housewife
John C. Connoni	50 Hill Street	Shuttle Worker
Mary R. Consoletti	169 Mendon Street	Housewife
John M. Cowan	19 Peace Street	Store Clerk
John A. Cugini	27 Driftway	Engineer
John W. Cyr	94 Freedom Street	Painter
Herbert A. Daige	24 Dutcher Street	Toolmaker
Raymond W. Davis	44 Bancroft Park	Section Head
John DeLuca	267 South Main Street	Retired
Colvin H. Dowden	118 Jones Road	Millwright
Sewell M. Drisko	28 Prospect Street	Retired Teacher
Chester L. Elliott	104 Jones Road	Buyer
Ellen D. Fettig	Overdale Parkway	Housewife
Frances R. Gattozzi	7 Pierce Street	Housewife
John D. Gannett, Jr.	137 Greene Street	Foundry
John M. Grady	211 Hopedale Street	Installer
James C. Heath	40 Bancroft Park	Foreman
Florence E. Hixon	7 Soward Street	Homemaker
Michael J. Iacovelli	360 South Main Street	Hat Worker
Francis J. Jablonski	62 Freedom Street	Machine Operator
Vera E. Jablonski	62 Freedom Street	Housewife
Ernestine M. Knox	18 Warfield Street	Housewife
Mary A. Luce	18 Bancroft Park	Housewife
Louis J. Mantoni	7 Elmwood Avenue	Foreman
Elizabeth B. Nelson	47 Bancroft Park	Housewife
Angelo D. Noferi	332B South Main Street	Rigger
William F. O'Reilly	48 Bancroft Park	Postal Worker
Emma O. Paganini	112 Mendon Street	Machine Oper.
Albert B. Rizzi	1 Cross Street	Press Oper.
Joseph A. Santacroce	41 Mellen Street	Mach. Oper.
Eleanor F. Smith	47 Hopedale Street	Housewife
Thelma M. Smith	19 Warfield Street	Housewife
Eleanor L. Warren	12 Cross Street	Housewife
Helen C. Sprague	59 Hartford Avenue	
Ellen L. Williams	15 Jones Road	Housewife

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS REPORT

December 31, 1968

By virtue of his office, the Town Clerk is Clerk of the Board of Registrars.

The Board held three sessions before each of the Elections and Primaries this year, namely, Town Election in March, Presidential Primaries in April, State Primaries in September, and the National Election in November, to allow residents of Hopedale, entitled to vote in Hopedale, to register their intentions.

Each year the members of the Board review the voting lists and remove therefrom the names of those voters who have died or moved from Hopedale since the previous year; and the Board is responsible for the proper maintenance of the Town voting lists, keeping them up to date as accurately as possible, and the printing of new lists when necessary, which is usually every two years.

	1968	1967
POPULATION	4470	4426
REGISTERED VOTERS	2468	2542

PAUL L. BRESCIANI  
HENRY L. CYR, SR.  
EARL E. KILLION  
MORTIMER C. DENNETT, Clerk

## HOPEDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Board of Engineers, respectfully submit their Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1968.

As of the year January 1, 1968 ending December 31, 1968, Equipment and Apparatus include:

Central Fire Station in need of some repair.

1 – 1961 International 750 gallon pumper, in good condition.

1 – 1947 Am. LaFrance 1000 gallon pumper, in good condition.

1 – 1943 Sea-Grave Ladder Truck, needs some repair.

1 – 1968 Chevrolet Station Wagon, in good condition.

1 – 1936 Ahrens Fox 500 gallon pumper, will be replaced this year with a new Maxim 1000 gallon pumper purchased in March of 1968.

1 – 1942 G.M.C. Tank truck, that will be replaced this year with a 1953 G.M.C. Tank Truck (donated by the Hopedale Coal & Ice Co. to the Town of Hopedale Fire Department in January 1969.)

7,000 ft. of 2½ inch hose in good condition,

2,500 ft. of 1½ inch hose in good condition.

2,300 ft. of 1 inch hose in good condition.

3 Generator lighting plants.

3 Portable pumps for brush fires.

1 Home-Lite pump for cellars.

6 Mobile 2-Way Radios.

46 Fire Alarm Boxes

11 Master Fire Alarm Boxes.

Approximately 12 miles of aerial wire.

5,500 ft. aerial cable.

From January 1, 1968 to December 31, 1968 the Department responded to 103 calls. This was an increase of 12 calls more than were answered in the year of 1967.

A breakdown of the responses is as follows.

Box Alarms	3
False Alarms	4
Building fires	3
Grass and brush fires	29
Automobile and truck fires	4
Electrical Equipment fires	1
Mutual Aid to other Towns	13
Inhalator—Resuscitator Calls	11
Smoke scares	3
Persons locked out	7
Miscellaneous calls	28

On March 18, 1968 the Fire Department worked a total of 263 man hours, pumping out cellars that became flooded from heavy rain-fall.

#### PERSONNEL

The Personnel of your Fire Department for the year was comprised of the following.

1 Permanent Fire Chief  
2 Call Deputy Chiefs  
8 Permanent Fire Fighters (Classified under Civil Service)

25 Call fire fighters (The call force is still below a full complement of men due to some being called to serve in the services of our Country.

We would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Police Department, Water Department, Highway Department, Office Staff in the Town Hall and the citizens of the Town of Hopedale for their cooperation during the past year.

CHARLES A. WATSON  
ARNOLD F.J. NEALLEY  
WILLIAM E. GRANT  
Board of Fire Engineers



## REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Board of Selectmen  
Hopedale, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Police Dept. report for the year ending December 31, 1968 is as follows:

Arrests	29
Motor vehicle violations	5
Stolen Cars	6
Drunkenness	2
Juveniles	14
On Warrants	2
 Violations of Motor Vehicle Laws	 179
Citations issued	79
Court action	25
Warnings	45
Arrests	5
Defective equipment	17
Parking violations	87
 Accidents investigated	 76
Personal injury accidents	24
Property damage accidents	52
Non-resident operators	69
Hopedale operators	46
 Complaints received	 1382
Vandalism	24
Larceny	34
Breaking and entering and larceny	14
Attempted break and entry	7
Stolen cars recovered	4
Missing persons	5
Lost and found articles	24
Ambulance calls	21
Summonses delivered	131

Boat permits issued	12
Gun permits issued	77
Gun identification cards issued	223
Assistance to other Police Departments	67
Requests for Police records	48
Street lights out and reported to Mass. Elec. Co.	52
Security checks of Public and Business buildings	10,950
Doors, windows, etc. found unlocked or open	320
Private homes checked	200
Miles travelled	61,279

W. CHESTER SANBORN  
Chief of Police

## ASSESSOR'S REPORT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1968

### TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:

Raised by Taxation	\$1,451,768.25	
Less — Transferred from available funds to reduce tax rate	<u>35,000.00</u>	
		\$1,416,768.25
Voted from available funds		<u>27,996.75</u>
		\$1,444,765.00
School Lunch Program & Free Public Library		6,734.23
Retirement System		19,778.26
Pension Increase (Underestimate)		105.76
State: Tax and Assessments		5,722.69
1967 Underestimate		997.69
County: Tax and Assessments		55,145.93
Overlay		<u>45,472.15</u>
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED		\$1,578,721.71

## ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	110,000.00	
General Government and Special Assessments	4,797.50	
Water Department	59,669.31	
Local Aid Fund	376,235.00	
Voted from Available Funds	27,996.75	
Overestimates	<u>3,165.19</u>	
Total Estimated Receipts & Available Funds		<u>581,863.75</u>

NET AMOUNT RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY \$ 996,857.96

### VALUATION

Personal Property \$	\$ 519,640.00 @ 42.50 M	22,084.70
Real Estate	22,935,760.00 @ 42.50 M	974,769.80
Adjustment Gain		<u>3.46</u>
Total	<u><u>\$23,455,400.00</u></u>	

TOTAL TAXES LEVIED ON PROPERTY \$ 996,857.96

ALFRED A. NORMAN  
CHARLES R. COX  
PERRY K. MACNEVIN  
Board of Assessors

## 1968 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS

YEAR	EMPLOYEES	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES
1968	7	\$109,180	\$131,771.45
1967	6	\$103,700	\$105,823.01
1966	7	\$ 96,900	\$114,211.02

The Adin Street reconstruction project, financed under Chapter 90, was completed this year. \$26,486 was expended this year of which \$17,925.47 was reimbursed to the town by the state and county.

Approximately 1,800 feet of sidewalks on Daniels Street, Freedom Street and Progress Street, were reconstructed.

A new granite curb was installed in front of the Post Office allowing us to widen the sidewalk also.

Part of Mellen Street was widened to provide better visibility for the motorist. The entrance to Elmwood Avenue was also widened.

Drainage lines and catch basins were installed on Greene Street and Warfield Street.

A new Michigan front-end loader was purchased and equipped with a snow plow so that it may serve a dual purpose during the winter months.

### BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS

DONALD R. FAFARD, Chairman  
ROBERT D. DONLEY, Clerk  
PERRY K. MacNEVIN

**SEVENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**  
**Year Ending December 31, 1968**

The amount of money appropriated to the Park Department for 1968 was \$21,970.00, or approximately \$1.00 on the tax rate. This not only includes the running of the best recreational programs in the area but also maintenance of all park lands.

Mr. Charles Espanet was again responsible for a fine recreational program and swimming program. Mr. Espanet had eight (8) assistants who did an excellent job throughout the summer.

A new merry-go-round was purchased for the play area and was used a great deal of the time. A most ambitious Arts & Crafts program was undertaken and the participation by our youths and adults proved that this was most desirable.

A more aggressive program for the young boys was initiated and proved quite successful.

The swimming area was opened June 24th and closed Labor Day weekend. During this period, a total of 18,387 townspeople registered at the swimming area. This is an increase of 6,000 in 5 years. The Park Commissioners will make a survey this summer to see if it is feasible to expand the swimming area. A total of 196 children passed various swimming tests.

The annual tennis clinic was held and 90 children participated in a trip to Longwood to see the tennis matches which was one of the highlights of the program.

The main entrance to the park on Dutcher Street has been improved with the addition of shrubbery. Several trees had to be cut down in the park because of decay.

A new four-wheel-drive dump truck was purchased and was extensively used throughout the summer.

Although a few acts of vandalism were committed in the Park the dollar amount was very little, and the town should be very proud of the youngsters in Hopedale.

Respectfully submitted,  
BENJAMIN PHILLIPS, Chairman  
JOHN BOYER  
ROGER W. ROBBINS, Clerk

## SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOPEDALE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

During 1968 several meetings were held with representatives from the State Conservation Commission and Department of Natural Resources.

At the March meeting, reorganization took place with Mr. Roger Robbins being named Chairman and Nicholas Narducci, Clerk. Two new members, Robert Corrinet and Lawrence Maher were added to the Commission by the Selectmen.

The Commission is in the process of leasing land north of the Rustic Bridge at Hopedale Pond from Draper Division of Rockwell Standard Corporation, for use as a Wild-Life Management area.

On May 11th, members attended the Spring meeting of the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissioners at the White House (formerly the Schine Inn) at Chicopee, Mass.

Senator James A. Kelly, Jr. and Robert L. Yasi, Commissioner for the Department of Natural Resources, met with members of our commission on Friday, June 21st, in the office of Anthony Allegrezza, Personnel Manager of Draper Division, for the purpose of discussing the water situation at North Pond. After the discussion period was terminated, the group went to inspect the area in question.



The Clerk, as instructed, wrote to Senator James A. Kelly, Jr., Representatives Harold Gould and Leo Kenney, urging them to use their influence in passing Inland Wetlands Bill H-3876, which resulted in the bill being passed.

Five hundred dollars is available for use in starting the building of a little league baseball diamond in the South Hopedale playground area. However, further work will not be undertaken until a topographical map is made of this area. This playground has been bulldozed for a skating rink by Rosenfeld Sand & Gravel Co. There are approximately twenty-two acres of land in this area, and some equipment, such as swings, sliding board, merry-go-round, have already been installed, with more to be added in the future.

A request was received from the Bellingham Conservation Commission for a joint meeting in order to get acquainted for an exchange of ideas, and this meeting took place September 3rd in Hopedale.

Mr. Charles Kennedy, Director of Division of Water Resources, reported to Ben Phillips that he is awaiting a Geological survey of Hopedale for new water sources before any assistance can be given our commission.

On September 28, Roger Robbins, Nicholas Narducci, and Ben Phillips attended the fourth annual Massachusetts Natural Resources field day at Birch Hill in Winchendon. Robert Corrinet, who is connected with the Department of Natural Resources, and a member of our commission, took the local men on a brief tour of the Wildlife area which was very interesting and informative.

The Hopedale Commission holds membership in the Charles River Watershed Association and the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions.

Respectfully submitted,  
ROGER ROBBINS, Chairman  
PAUL BLATZ  
JOHN BOYER  
ROBERT CORRINET  
LAURENCE MAHER  
BENJAMIN PHILLIPS  
NICHOLAS NARDUCCI, Clerk

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Board of Selectmen  
Hopedale, Mass.

As your Inspector of Slaughtering I have nothing to report for the year ending December 31, 1968.

W. CHESTER SANBORN

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Board of Selectmen  
Hopedale, Mass.

As your Inspector of Animals, I submit the following report.

I have inspected all animals and the premises where the same are kept and sent my report to the Division of Animal Health.

There have been ten dog bite cases, and the dogs were quarantined for ten days as required by law.

W. CHESTER SANBORN

## REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

The Board of Selectmen  
Hopedale, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

As your Superintendent of Insect Pest Control and Tree Warden I submit the following report.

As usual our biggest problem is the Dutch Elm Disease. Thirty-eight samples were taken from trees suspected of having the Disease. The samples were sent to the University of Mass. Shade Tree Laboratory. The

confirmation came back that one was sterile, two had other Bacteria infections and thirty-five had the Dutch Elm Disease. These trees have all been disposed of as required by law.

A dormant spray of 2% DDT was applied to the Elm trees in mid-April for the control of the Elm Bark Beetle, which is the main carrier of the Dutch Elm Disease. At the same time the Tulip Trees and Eunonymus were sprayed for scale.

On May 2nd DDT granules were placed in the swamp areas for Mosquito lava control.

On June 5th the Birches were sprayed for Birch Leaf Miner and the Elms were sprayed with a foliar spray for controlling Elm Leaf Beetles & Mites and fertilized at the same time.

An Aerial spray was applied to the entire town on June 15th for mosquito and general insect pest control.

Seven Crimson King Maples, five Mountain Ash, and ten Rock Maple were planted along the streets.

All dead and broken limbs have been removed from over the streets for the safety of those using the streets.

It has been, as always, a pleasure to serve the people of Hopedale, and I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the fine cooperation of the Board of Selectmen and the Townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. CHESTER SANBORN

## **REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES**

To the Board of Selectmen  
Hopedale, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I submit my report as Inspector of Wires for the year ending December 31, 1968.

64 wiring inspections  
2 request inspections of Rest Homes

A total sum of \$206.00 has been collected for wiring permits and recorded by the Clerk of Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT SHIMKUS  
Inspector of Wires

## **REPORT OF BOARD OF APPEALS**

**For the Year Ending December 31, 1968**

To the Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

During the year 1968 the Zoning Board of Appeals received four variance requests from the Selectmen for action by the Board. The Board held public hearings on four (4) appeals and decisions were made.

Respectfully submitted,  
RALPH B. JACKSON, Chairman  
ROGER V. BURNS, Clerk  
ELDON BIGGS

# REPORT OF HOPEDALE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Hopedale  
Hopedale, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Hopedale Housing Authority submits to you and the citizens of the Town of Hopedale its seventh annual report.

The Authority has had 12 regular meetings and 4 special meetings during the year 1968. Members attended 3 meetings of the Blackstone Valley Association of Housing Officials.

Mr. Harold H. Stearns was appointed as the State Member of the Authority in January. In December the Authority accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Freeman L. Hammond who had served as Executive Director since the opening of the Hopedale Housing project. Mrs. Robert L. Fisher was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Hammond.

All apartments are occupied and applications are placed on the waiting list.

DAVID C. HARRIS, Chairman  
HAROLD H. STEARNS  
M. RUSSELL DENNETT  
EDWARD J. MALLOY  
HAROLD W. WARD

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Hopedale, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report to your board.

The year 1968 proved to be an active one relative to our Veterans' Services program.

The sum of \$23,149.23 was expended during the course of the year. We were able to operate within the amount appropriated for the year even though we were hard hit with labor disputes. Of the \$28,500.00 appropriated for the Veterans' Services Department an unexpended balance of \$5,350.77 remains at the close of the year.

My estimate for 1969 is an amount similar to the figure asked for during the past year, and I feel confident that we can again operate within this appropriation.

Our Veterans' Benefits case load for 1968 was made up of 14 permanent cases, an increase of 6 over 1967, and 16 temporary cases, an increase of 2 over 1967. Total cases aided during the year 1968 amounted to 30, an increase of 8 over 1967.

Many more changes have taken place within our Veterans' Benefits program, necessitating complete reassessment of all our cases. Along with these changes we were able to keep quite active with the processing of Vietnam Bonus applications.

All in all, 1968 proved to be an active year for our department and due to the continued problems in Vietnam we are unable to report when we may reach our peak relative to Veterans' Benefits expenditures.



Once again, my sincere thanks for the cooperation I have received from your Board. I will continue to administer to the need of our veterans and their dependents with great respect to their needs.

Respectfully submitted,  
ANTHONY J. MASTRQIANNI  
Director

## INTRODUCTION

The Veterans' Service Department of the Town of Hopedale herewith submits its Annual Report for the year 1968.

The main objective of the Veterans' Service Department, is to provide benefits from various sources to protect the best interest of our veterans and their dependents.

Since Vietnam era soldiers, airmen and marines began to receive discharges in increasing numbers, the total living veterans population has crept to a new peak of more than 26 million. An estimated 70 Vietnam era veterans of Hopedale have been separated from active duty after August 5, 1964.

These continuous discharges have created a volume of work to assure our veterans of their entitled benefits.

The year 1968 brought additional benefits to our veterans and their dependents. Changes in educational benefits, cost of living increases to pensioners, hospitalization, G.I. Loans, to list but a few of these changes.

The increasing veterans population and the constant change in Legislation has given the Veterans' Service Department a great challenge. The Veterans' Service Department has performed its duty with great efficiency to combat this challenge.

Our annual report will provide general information concerning State benefits and Federal Benefits for veterans, their dependents and beneficiaries.

This report will consist of the following:

1. State benefits
2. Federal benefits
3. Financial Statement
4. Acknowledgment

## 1. STATE BENEFITS

*Veterans' Benefits:* This program is of the most concern to all because it represents the major expenditure in our budget. Financial assistance is granted to veterans and their dependents in time of need. In order to qualify, veterans must have entered service accredited to Massachusetts or have resided in the Commonwealth for three consecutive years. The Town receives 50% reimbursement for expenditures made in this category.

*Bonus:* Well over 125 Vietnam Veterans filed for this benefit during the year 1968.

*Educational Benefits:* Veterans who served in Vietnam are entitled to free tuition at State supported facilities.

*Tax Abatements:* Veterans who have a wartime service-connected disability are entitled to \$2,000.00 deduction in real estate tax.

There are numerous other benefits available through State and Federal Legislation. Further information may be obtained at the local Veterans' Service Department.

## 2. FEDERAL BENEFITS

*Compensation and Pension:* Monetary benefits paid for service-connected disabilities and non-service connected disabilities.

*Educational Benefits:* Monetary benefits paid to veterans of post Korean Affair, World II and Korean Conflict are exhausted. It is worthy to note that 60 billion dollars is added to Federal income taxes because veterans who studied under the first two GI Bills now earn 30% more than non veterans. An estimate of 10 million veterans took advantage of educational benefits.

*Hospitalization:* Medical care for all veterans in Veterans Administration facilities. Our Veterans' Administration Medical Program is credited with implanted cardiac pacemaker, successful chemotherapy for tuberculosis, improved psychiatric treatment, artificial limbs applied during amputation, successful organ transplants and development of artificial kidney units. The medical care available to our deserving veterans is the best in the world.

*Orphans Educational Assistance:* Monetary awards to children of veterans whose death or permanent total disability were service-connected.

*G.I. Loans:* For veterans and eligible widows of World War II, Korean Conflict period and post Korean Conflict period.

There are many outstanding benefits available to our veterans and their dependents. If confronted with a veterans problem, you may look to the Veterans' Service Department.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES  
*VETERANS BENEFITS*

<i>Receipts</i>		
<i>Appropriated</i>		\$28,500.00
<i>Expended</i>		
Expenditures	\$23,149.23	
Unexpended balance	<u>5,350.77</u>	\$28,500.00
Anticipated reimbursement from State		\$10,824.62

#### 4. ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I wish to express my gratitude to all agencies who have assisted me during the year 1968. To the Board of Selectmen, various Town departments, Social Service Index, Red Cross, Boston Regional office of the Veterans' Administration and Veterans' Organizations within the town, I am indebted for their efforts in behalf of veterans and their dependents during the past year. I would like to pay tribute to the men from Hopedale now serving their country in time of peril in Vietnam and especially those who have made the supreme sacrifice.

The volume of work in behalf of veterans and their dependents is on a steady incline and we in veterans' services, look forward to extending prompt, efficient and courteous service for years to come.

Respectfully submitted,  
ANTHONY J. MASTROIANNI  
Director

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The Librarian respectfully submits the 83rd annual report.

During the year 1968, the Bancroft Memorial Library and its Branch at South Hopedale have continued to serve the public in every possible way. Again we have to report a decrease in our circulation which is 54,729 as against 55,463 for 1967. However, the Library continues to be used extensively for reference and information.

Mrs. Marjorie Hattersley reports 120 new borrowers in the Children's Department. Two story hours have been held during vacation periods. The third one scheduled for December was cancelled due to so much illness.

National Library week was observed in April with new books displayed in both the Adult and Children's Departments. The four fourth grade classes visited the Children's Room during this week. Children's Book Week occurred the last week of November and Mrs. Hattersley visited the four fifth grades and the three sixth grade classes at the Dutcher Street School. She showed some of the new books and gave short reviews. New adult books were added at this time and were on display at the Library.

A summer reading program called "Book Parade", was held for grades 4, 5 and 6. Twenty children were registered for this and a total of 251 books were read. "Busy Bees" certificates were presented to 39 children of grades 1, 2 and 3 stating the number of books read during the summer. A total of 908 books were read by this group. Fifty-nine large and one hundred sixty small State Certificates were presented to grades 4, 5 and 6.

Miss Deborah Potty, a Junior at the Hopedale Junior-Senior High School, joined the staff in June to take Miss Karen Rehbein's place. Miss Rehbein left to further her education at college. Miss Potty had to leave at the end of December because of health reasons and Miss Susan Cervasi, a Freshman, has started working for us. These girls help Mrs. Hattersley in the Children's Room.

The Trustees and the Library staff wish to acknowledge with great appreciation a gift made to the Library of a Book Deposit. This was made possible through the efforts of Postmaster John Brescianni and Assistant Postmaster Robert Weaver who were able to procure an old mail box which has been refurbished and painted. Our thanks go also to Mr. Alan

Luce, who did the lettering and decorating and to the many other people involved in this project. This box will be placed outside the Library in the near future to allow patrons to return books when the Library is not open. With the aid of the Central Regional Area, we have supplied 68 films to various organizations and have borrowed 48 books on inter-library loan for the reading public. We have 347 books on deposit, which we get from the bookmobile which visits us each month from Worcester.

The thanks of the staff and the Trustees go to the many people who have given books, magazines and paper backs to the Library. We have received 43 books as gifts. We also wish to thank the people who have given us flowers during the year. We continue to show a painting each month done by the members of the Community House Art Class. The Library hopes to serve you, the people of Hopedale, in more and better ways in 1969. My heartfelt thanks go to the Trustees and Staff for their continued support.

CONSTANCE L. CLARK  
Librarian

STATISTICAL REPORT

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
December 31, 1968

Name of Library	The Bancroft Memorial Library
Town	Hopedale, Massachusetts
Population served (town census 1968)	4,586
Number of days open during year (Main Library)	273
Hours for lending (Main Library)	30 per week

REGISTRATION

Number of new borrowers registered in 1968	
Main Library	186
Branch	8
Number of persons using reading and reference rooms	3,376
Fines and collections paid to Town Treasurer	\$113.07



# INCREASE

	ADULT	JUV.	TOTAL
Number of volumes at beginning of year	17,537	4,142	21,679
Number of volumes added	436	161	597
Number of volumes withdrawn	517	317	834
Total number of volumes			
December 31, 1968	17,456	3,986	21,442
Number of newspapers currently received			3
Number of periodicals currently received			56

# CIRCULATION

	ADULT	JUV.	TOTAL
Volumes of fiction	14,586	18,555	24,631
Volumes of non-fiction	10,045	7,593	26,148
Circulation at Branch	2,216	1,734	3,950
	26,847	27,882 *	54,729

\*Includes school circulation.

# CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

At a regular meeting of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission held at the Worcester Area Chamber of Commerce, Seven Hills Plaza, 90 Madison Street, Worcester, Massachusetts on December 12, 1968, notice thereof having been posted as required by the General Laws, Chapter 39, Section 23A, a quorum being present and acting throughout it was:

VOTED: — That the estimated amount of money required from the member city and the member towns to pay the costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning District for the year 1969 be and hereby is established as \$31,130.80.

VOTED: — That the proportions of said estimated amount of money to pay these costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning District for the year 1969 to be paid by the constituent city and towns be and they hereby are fixed and determined as follows: —

1. Auburn	\$1,123.04	19. North Brookfield	289.28
2. Barre	278.32	20. Oakham	41.92
3. Berlin	139.36	21. Oxford	742.56
4. Blackstone	410.40	22. Paxton	190.32
5. Boylston	189.04	23. Princeton	108.80
6. Brookfield	140.08	24. Rutland	260.24
7. Charlton	294.80	25. Shrewsbury	1,329.76
8. East Brookfield	122.64	26. Southbridge	1,321.84
9. Grafton	724.80	27. Spencer	627.04
10. Hardwick	187.20	28. Sturbridge	288.32
11. Holden	810.32	29. Sutton	291.04
12. Hopedale	318.96	30. Upton	250.16
13. Leicester	652.24	31. Warren	270.64
14. Millbury	768.48	32. Webster	1,094.40
15. Millville	125.36	33. West Boylston	440.64
16. New Braintree	40.72	34. Westboro	767.92
17. Northboro	534.96	35. West Brookfield	167.24
18. Northbridge	864.00	36. Worcester	14,926.96
TOTAL			\$31,130.80

Municipal Assessments

A True Copy.  
Attest:

PHILIP A. SEGEL  
Clerk

## SCHEDULE A

Estimated Cash Receipts in 1969 (December 12, 1968)

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Urban Planning Assistance		
Project No. Mass. P-62	11,072.40	
Urban Planning Assistance		
Project No. Mass. P-90	0.00	
Grants in Aid to Regional		
Planning Agencies	4,585.15	
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	15,657.55	
 Total Commonwealth of Massachusetts		15,657.55

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Urban Planning Assistance		
Project No. Mass. P-111	36,907.00	
Fifth Year Urban Planning		
Assistance Project	18,000.00	
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	54,907.00	
 Total United States of America		54,907.00

### MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES

Per Capita Assessments		
(36 communities)	31,130.80	
		31,130.80
 OTHER INCOME		400.00

Total Cash Income for 1969	<hr/>	102,095.35
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Add: Accounts Receivable on January 1, 1969		8,092.06
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Total Cash Receipts	<hr/>	110,187.41
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## SCHEDULE B

### Estimated Cash Disbursements — 1969 (December 12, 1968)

1.	Salaries . . . . .	\$69,234.00
2.	Rent . . . . .	3,455.00
3.	Telephone . . . . .	960.00
4.	Office Supplies . . . . .	432.00
5.	Office Equipment . . . . .	450.00
6.	Photo Equipment and Supplies . . . . .	48.00
7.	Furniture . . . . .	800.00
8.	Drafting Equipment . . . . .	50.00
9.	Drafting Supplies . . . . .	324.00
10.	Maps and Charts . . . . .	400.00
11.	Travel . . . . .	616.00
12.	Reports . . . . .	5,400.00
13.	Postage . . . . .	450.00
14.	Health Insurance . . . . .	870.00
15.	Treasurers' Bonds . . . . .	64.00
16.	Office Insurance . . . . .	224.00
17.	Equipment Service Contracts . . . . .	180.00
18.	Publications and Census Materials . . . . .	325.00
19.	Conferences, Displays . . . . .	900.00
20.	Planning Consultants . . . . .	28,250.00
21.	Anticipation Note Repaid . . . . .	6,000.00
22.	Accounting and Bookkeeping Fees . . . . .	640.00
23.	Legal Fees . . . . .	150.00
24.	Interest on Anticipation Note . . . . .	192.00
25.	Miscellaneous Expenses . . . . .	324.00
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TOTAL 1969 EXPENDITURES		20,738.00
Add: Accounts Payable on January 1, 1969		262.00
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TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS		\$121,000.00

# ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR 1969

Cash on Hand — January 1, 1969 (estimated December 12, 1968)	9,565.62
Add: Receipts (see Schedule A)	110,187.41
Total Cash Available	119,753.03
Deduct: Disbursements (see Schedule B)	121,000.00
	(1,246.97)
Anticipation Note (Estimated + \$12,000.00, estimated 1 August 1969)	12,000.00
Less Interest on Note (amt. x time x rate — estimated \$12,000 x 5 mo. x 4%)	200.00
Cash on Hand, December 31, 1969 (estimated December 12, 1968)	10,553.03

## WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

Since the Town of Hopedale Water Department has come into existence the Town has expended \$1,568,373.58 while receiving \$1,379,621.18 leaving a net deficit of \$188,752.30. In accordance with Section 69B of Chapter 41 of The General Laws, a town may show a surplus without crediting it to a Water Department Surplus Account until such time as all prior deficits have been wiped out. The bond issue has been paid in full and we should now show some surplus in the coming years. Any surplus accrued will be credited to the General Cash Account until the deficit has been eliminated.

The following table shows on a yearly basis the deficit incurred each year to date:

Section 69B – Chapter 41 – G. L.		Water System		Start 1948
1	1948–1949	495,295.35**	437.46	10,142.11
2	1950	37,746.66	40,398.19	2,651.53
3	1951	36,568.80	42,014.50	5,445.70
4	1952	38,453.81	44,785.72	6,331.91
5	1953	39,542.91	46,932.24	7,389.33
6	1954	37,365.83	46,311.35	8,945.52
7	1955	39,989.35	58,399.56	18,410.21
8	1956	42,410.50	70,336.57	27,925.87
9	1957	43,932.85	65,771.53	21,838.68
10	1958	41,730.80	51,504.40	9,773.60
11	1959	43,288.22	51,941.74	8,653.52
12	1960	47,878.88	69,398.14	21,519.26
13	1961	50,380.79	54,235.46	3,854.67
14	1962	51,054.05	52,962.84	1,908.79
15	1963	49,915.76	53,604.84	3,689.08
16	1964	51,068.68	56,524.07	5,455.39
17	1965	52,215.59	62,869.65	10,654.06
18	1966	52,790.50	58,306.98	5,516.48
19	1967	59,669.31	61,805.72	2,136.41
20	1968	68,322.64	74,832.82	6,510.18
TOTALS		\$1,379,621.28	\$1,568,373.58	\$188,752.30

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

C. VICTOR PEPPER, Chairman  
WILLIAM B. GANNETT  
CARL R. BRESCIANI



## WATER DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

I submit herewith, the following report for the year ending December 31, 1968.

### GENERAL STATISTICS

Total area of land for water supply purposes	24½ acres
Source of supply	Thirty-three 2½" driven wells and one twenty-four inch gravel packed well.
Mode of supply	Direct pumping into distribution system with overflow to standpipe of 846,000 gal. capacity
1 — 300 GPM and 1 — 350 GPM centrifugal pump, each directly connected to electric motor and 1 gasoline engine.	
1 — 150 GPM turbine deep well pump.	

### STATISTICS ON CONSUMPTION OF WATER

Total consumption of water pumped for year	126,121,700 gallons
Passed through meters	121,098,150 gallons
Percentage of used services metered	100%
Meters in service	1195
Average daily consumption	444,000 gallons
Water purchased	35,959,389 gallons.

### DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Kind of pipe	Cast iron, cement lined, tar coated and transite
Sizes	2 inch to 12 inch
Total now in use	13.30 miles
Number of hydrants now in use	128
Range of pressure on system	48 to 130 lbs.

## SERVICES

Kind of pipe	wrought and cast iron cement lined and
copper tubing	
Sizes	$\frac{3}{4}$ inch to 8 inch
Total number installed to date	993
	in use to date 971
Large number of duplex houses — 1 service — 2 meters.	

The gravel well was cleaned and treated. It is now being treated with Calgon, to improve quality. All hydrants on the system were flushed. The system should be flushed at least once a year. The town must have an additional source of water supply of the best quality possible to meet the demands of its consumers. The safe yield of existing wells is being exceeding.

The report on development of additional water supply Nov. 1965 told us that it is imperative that additional sources of supply be developed as soon as it is feasible to do so.

I am extremely grateful for the advice and cooperation of the Board of Water commissioners and wish to thank them for the same. Also the various town departments and other personnel, my gratitude for their able assistance and their work well done.

Respectfully submitted,  
GEORGE K. ALLEN  
Superintendent

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL  
DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968

# **DIRECTORY OF THE BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL**

## **School Committee**

Edward S. Henderson, Chairman	Upton
Harrison N. Thibault, Vice-Chairman	Hopedale
Omer A. Plouffe	Bellingham
Matthew C. Krajewski	Blackstone
L. Wayne Gilley	Douglas
Roland C. Hallen	Grafton
J. Gerard Sweeney	Mendon
James E. Kellett	Milford
William G. Holmes	Millbury
Nelson H. Morin	Millville
Edward B. Postma	Northbridge
Kelton D. Johnson	Sutton
Herman Buma	Uxbridge
Arthur C. Young, Secretary-Treasurer	Hopedale
Kevin R. Sherin, Legal Counsel	Uxbridge

## **Superintendent-Director**

Paul J. Sullivan	Telephone 529-7758
Office	Pleasant Street
	Upton

Regular School Committee meetings are held at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

During the year of 1968 the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee held eleven regular meetings and four special meetings.

The following were elected to serve on the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee at their respective annual town meeting:

Edward B. Postma, Northbridge	1 year (Balance of James Mullaney's Term of office)
L. Wayne Gilley, Douglas	3 years
J. Gerard Sweeney, Mendon	3 years
Edward S. Henderson, Upton	3 years
Herman Buma, Uxbridge	3 years

On April 1, 1968 the Regional School Committee members met to select their officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected:

Edward S. Henderson, Chairman  
Harrison N. Thibault, Vice-Chairman  
Arthur C. Young, Secretary-Treasurer  
Kevin R. Sherin, Legal Counsel

The following Advisory Committees were re-appointed:

**Auto Body**

Ernest Viens, Bellingham                      Mathias C. Rainville, Uxbridge

**Auto Mechanics**

William L. Papetti, Whitinsville              Lowell D. Anderson, Worcester  
Allan V. Rawson, West Upton

**Drafting**

William A. Carter, East Douglas              Richard D. Ahlquist, N. Grafton  
Roy H. Rehbein, Hopedale

**Electronics**

W. James Budzyna, East Douglas              Lawrence I. Ray, Blackstone  
H. Louis Lion, Mendon

**Machine Shop**

John F. Britt, Uxbridge                      Norman W. Taylor, Holliston  
Roger V. Burns, Hopedale                  Walter J. Such, South Grafton  
George L. Harlow, Hopedale                  Arthur M. Blanchard, Grafton  
John C. Lalor, Uxbridge                      Anthony E. Allegrezza, Milford  
Norman E. Walker, Upton

**Metal Fabrication**

James L. Young, Slatersville, R.I.              Ernest Carpenter, Mendon  
John A. Dawe, Hopedale

**Mill and House Carpentry**

George Guertin, North Uxbridge              Peter T. Koopman, Whitinsville  
William Dillon, Milford                      William Dion, Linwood

**Plant Maintenance**

William J. Caufield, Hopedale                  Harold Bushnell, Upton

## DAY PROGRAM

### A. January – June 1968

#### 1. Enrollment

At the beginning of 1968 118 boys were in the sophomore class and 117 were in the freshman class at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School. The number of students in each of the departments was as follows: 25 in Auto Body, 25 in Auto Mechanics, 25 in Mill and House Carpentry, 27 in Drafting, 30 in Electronics, 56 in Machine Shop, 24 in Metal Fabrication, and 23 in Plant Maintenance.

#### 2. Exploratory Program

During the first semester the freshmen had been given an opportunity to spend two weeks in each of the eight departments so that they would have some knowledge of and experience in each of the programs offered by the school. Every student had made a choice of department before the start of school based upon aptitude tests and guidance counseling but we wanted to give them actual experience in every department before they made their final selection. Less than 10% of the students wanted to change their choice, which indicates that our program of aptitude testing and guidance counseling is very effective.

#### 3. Pupil Selection for the Fall of 1968

During the months of January and February all the schools in the member towns were visited by the Guidance Director in order to give information to the boys in the eighth grade about the courses that are offered at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School. Applications were distributed and the students were requested to indicate their first, second, and third choices among the courses offered. Specially designed information forms were given to each school administrator, to be completed for each boy who planned to make application for admission to the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School.

At a later date applicant groups from the various towns were brought to the school so that they could visit each of the eight departments and actually see the program in operation. During the day they were given a series of aptitude tests involving verbal reasoning, numerical ability, mechanical reasoning, abstract reasoning, and spatial relations. The scores on the above tests and the information sheet provided by the sending school were evaluated in order to produce a profile of each



applicant's characteristics. Each applicant's profile was recorded on a compilation sheet which served to identify the most qualified students in each town. Every effort was made to admit the best qualified boys in each town, to give them their course preference, to distribute the courses as equally as possible among the towns, and to select each boy for the course in which he appeared to have the best chance of success. Due to lack of space we were able to admit only 110 boys out of the 346 that applied for admission.

#### 4. Expansion of the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School

During the years of 1966, '67, '68 we have had over 1000 applicants for admission to our school. Unfortunately, due to lack of space we have only been able to accept one out of every three boys that apply. At the beginning of 1968 the school committee decided that it would be necessary to build an addition to the school if the needs of the youth of this region were to be served.

This addition is presently under construction and is scheduled to be ready for occupancy in September of 1969. It will provide four new shops, four classrooms, a technical drawing room, and a remedial reading room. This will allow us to accept an additional 160 students which will increase the capacity of the school to 520 pupils.

#### 5. Retirement of James S. Mullaney

Jim Mullaney retired from the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Committee on March 21, 1968. No one can ever replace a man of Jim's stature and vision. He will always be remembered as the moving spirit behind the planning and realization of the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical School. But he is certainly entitled to a well-earned period of leisure and we all extend our warmest good wishes to him for a long and happy retirement.

### B. September – December 1968

#### 1. Enrollment

In September we started our third year of operation with 112 juniors, 117 sophomores, and 111 freshmen for a total of 340 pupils. The number of boys from each of the towns was as follows: 31 from

Bellingham, 16 from Blackstone, 14 from Douglas, 39 from Grafton, 19 from Hopedale, 9 from Mendon, 54 from Milford, 46 from Millbury, 6 from Millville, 40 from Northbridge, 18 from Sutton, 17 from Upton, and 31 from Uxbridge.

## 2. Cafeteria

Our cafeteria staff continues to do an outstanding job for the students of our school. Once again our cafeteria was rated in the top ten in Massachusetts by the Massachusetts School Lunch Program. Last year we were rated number nine but this year we were ranked number two in the entire State. We congratulate the cafeteria staff for their fine achievement.

## 3. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation Awards

Nine sophomores in the Metal Fabrication Department received national recognition from the James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation, in competition with schools throughout the country. The Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical School was the only school in the U. S. to have a grand national winner, three regional award winners and three sixth award winners. This achievement is all the more remarkable considering the fact that all nine students were only sophomores and that all nine won awards.

## 4. Accreditation by the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools

At the December 5th meeting of the Commission on Public Secondary Schools, it was voted to recommend the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School for institutional membership in the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools on the basis of a recommendation by the Ad Hoc Committee on Vocational Education. The Commission recommendation was approved by the Association's Executive Committee and the membership at the Annual Meeting on December 6, 1968.

The accreditation of our school was the outstanding educational event of the year and indicates to the general public and the teaching profession that qualitative standards are being fulfilled.

## ADULT TRAINING PROGRAMS

### 1. Evening Trade Extension Courses

The evening trade extension courses for adults started Monday, September 30, 1968. These classes are open to persons over 16 years of age who are not attending school and who can show evidence of trade contact with the specific training desired. The following courses were offered: Auto Body Repair, Auto Mechanics, Mill and House Carpentry, Electronics, Machine Shop, Metal Fabrication, Plant Maintenance, Drafting, Plumbing Code, and Blueprint Reading. A total of 228 adults were enrolled in these courses. The number of students from each of the towns was as follows: 24 from Bellingham, 12 from Blackstone, 8 from Douglas, 15 from Grafton, 11 from Hopedale, 17 from Mendon, 30 from Milford, 7 from Millbury, 4 from Millville, 42 from Northbridge, 6 from Sutton, 29 from Upton, and 23 from Uxbridge.

### 2. Nursing Aide Program

While our school was designed primarily for boys, the first class to be graduated was composed entirely of women. On April 11, twenty-six students were awarded certificates at graduation exercises held at St. Camillus Hospital in Northbridge. This was the first specialized training course for nursing aides in the Blackstone Valley area. All the graduates of this nursing program are working in nursing homes and hospitals in this region.

### 3. Automotive Machinist Program

The second graduation took place on May 17th when the young men in the automotive machinist program completed a 44-week training period. This is the only program of its type in the United States and the entire expense of this course is borne by the Automotive Wholesalers Association of New England, the automotive equipment manufacturers, and the Federal government. Upon graduation the young men were hired by employers from all parts of New England. We had three times as many jobs as we had graduates.

On June 3rd another group of 32 young men started the second program in automotive machinist training and they are scheduled to graduate next April.

#### 4. Production Machinist Program

On June 24, 1968 another program for unemployed young men was started in our school to train them in the operation of basic machine shop equipment. This will be a 30-week course and they will complete their training in the middle of January 1969.

### CONCLUSION

Midway through our third school year we feel that the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School is operating efficiently and serving the people of the area effectively in several divergent capacities, as shown in the number of students who enrolled in the regular day program and in the adult training programs:

1. 340 freshmen, sophomore, and junior boys in the day program.
2. 228 men and women in the Evening Trade Extension program.
3. 32 young men in the Automotive Machinist program.
4. 16 young men in the Production Machine Operator program.
5. 26 graduates of the Nursing Aide course.
6. 24 graduates of the Automotive Machinist program.

Thus we have offered about 670 people the opportunity to further their education and to increase their vocational skills.

At the end of 1968 the School Committee, the staff, and the administration look back in satisfaction at the excellent progress we have made; and with the increased variety in our curriculum and the physical capacity our addition will afford, we can look forward with confidence to an even brighter future.

# **BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Balance Sheet, December 31, 1968

## **ASSETS**

Cash in Bank and on Hand	\$ 474.02
Certificate of Deposit	175,000.00
Treasury Bills	24,339.00
Loans — Authorized	500,000.00
	<u>\$699,813.02</u>

## **LIABILITIES**

### **Employees' Payroll Deductions:**

Federal Income Taxes	\$3,371.85
State Income Taxes	565.61
Retirement Funds	<u>1,030.99</u>

\$ 4,968.45

George Barden Funds

3,321.54

Loans — Authorized & Approved

500,000.00

### **Appropriated Balances:**

Non-Revenue 96,864.55

Excess and Deficiency Account

94,658.48

\$699,813.02

## **Debt Accounts**

## **ASSETS**

Fixed Debt:

General \$1,420,000.00

## **LIABILITIES**

Serial Loans:

School Construction \$1,420,000.00

## **Analysis of Excess and Deficiency Account**

Balance, December 31, 1967 \$105,029.36

Add: Revenue \$ 19,157.80

Excess of Appropriations  
over Expenditures 173,933.32

State Reimbursement —  
Transportation 36,623.00 229,714.12

334,743.48

Less: Appropriations 56,083.00

Estimated Receipts 184,002.00 240,085.00

Balance, December 31, 1968 \$ 94,658.48



**Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures and Revenue  
for the Year Ended December 31, 1968**

	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Administration			
School Committee	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 3,779.94	\$ 120.06
Administration			
Superintendent's Office	13,900.00	11,236.78	2,663.22
Director's Office	23,100.00	5,769.49*	17,330.51
Teaching	196,710.00	96,389.50*	100,320.50
Textbooks	9,000.00	5,289.78	3,710.22
Library Service	4,050.00	722.47	3,327.53
Audio-Visual Program	2,100.00	500.65	1,599.35
Guidance	11,400.00	5,098.84	6,301.16
Health Service	3,750.00	2,817.99	932.01
Pupil Transportation	43,200.00	39,692.51	3,507.49
Food Service	6,970.00	1,547.36**	5,422.64
Athletic Program	11,720.00	9,177.56	2,542.44
Other Student Body Activities	300.00	75.76	224.24
Custodial Services	18,900.00	11,417.38	7,482.62
Heating Building	9,500.00	5,723.27	3,776.73
Utility Service	12,750.00	10,830.83	1,919.17
Maintenance of Plant	6,500.00	1,698.16	4,801.84
Insurance Program	9,150.00	7,511.41	1,638.59
Debt Service—Current Loans	100.00	----	100.00
Community Services	200.00	----	200.00
Equipment Acquisition	20,200.00	14,187.00	6,013.00
	<u>407,400.00</u>	<u>233,466.68</u>	<u>173,933.32</u>
Total Operating			
	<u>407,400.00</u>	<u>233,466.68</u>	<u>173,933.32</u>
Debt Service Retirement			
Bond Principal	85,000.00	85,000.00	----
Interest	55,685.00	55,685.00	----
	<u>140,685.00</u>	<u>140,685.00</u>	<u>----</u>
Total Debt Service & Ret.			
	<u>140,685.00</u>	<u>140,685.00</u>	<u>----</u>
	<u>548,085.00</u>	<u>\$374,151.68</u>	<u>\$173,933.32</u>
Less Estimated Receipts			
George Barden Funds	107,000.00		
Transportation	27,000.00		
SBAC—Construction Reimb.	50,002.00		
Transferred from E & D	56,083.00		
	<u>240,085.00</u>		
Total Estimated Receipts			
	<u>240,085.00</u>		
Total Assessment to Towns			
	<u>\$308,000.00</u>		

\* Net of George Barden Funds

\*\* Net of Cafeteria Receipts

Summary of Revenue

Interest Income	\$15,585.08
Miscellaneous	3,572.72
	<u>\$19,157.80</u>



## **Apportionment of Costs Incurred by the District**

### **(B) Capital Costs**

Capital costs shall include all expenses in the nature of capital outlay such as the cost of acquiring land, the cost of constructing, reconstructing and adding to buildings, and the cost of remodeling or making extraordinary repairs to a school building or buildings, including without limitation the cost of the original equipment and furnishings for such buildings or additions, plans, architects' and consultants' fees, grading and other costs incidental to placing school buildings and additions and related premises in operating condition. Capital costs shall also include payment of principal of and interest on bonds, notes or other obligations issued by the District to finance capital costs.

### **(C) Apportionment of Capital Costs**

Capital costs shall be apportioned annually in December for the ensuing year as follows:

(1) Each member town's share of the capital costs incurred in connection with the construction, equipping and placing in operation of the initial district school building, including the payment of principal of and interest on bonds, notes or other obligations of the District to finance such capital costs, shall be determined by computing the ratio which the sum of its public school male pupil enrollments in grades nine through twelve, inclusive, on October 1 of the three years next preceding the year in which the Committee votes to authorize the incurring of such capital costs bears to the sum of the public school male pupil enrollments in grades nine through twelve, inclusive, of all the member towns on October 1 of the same three years; and in the case of capital costs consisting of the payment of principal of the interest on bonds, notes or other obligations issued by the District, the ratio shall not be changed during the period in which such bonds, notes or other obligations are outstanding, except as provided in subsection VII(A). For the purpose of this clause (1) of Section (A) above, public school male pupil enrollments shall be defined as the number of male pupils in grades nine through twelve, inclusive, residing in each member town and receiving education at such town's expense.

\*Ratio is each member town's share of the capital costs.

#### DEBT RETIREMENT AND SERVICE

Bond Principal	1964 — $1/20 \times \$1,200,000$	\$ 60,000.00
Bond Principal	1965 — $1/19 \times 475,000$	25,000.00
Bond Interest	1964 — $3.7\% \times 1,200,000$	37,740.00
Bond Interest	1965 — $3.7\% \times 475,000$	14,800.00
Bond Interest	1969 — $4.6\% \times 500,000$ (Estimated)	11,462.00

Total \$149,002.00

#### Estimated Receipts:

Construction Reimbursement \$ 50,002.00

Net Capital Expenditures 99,000.00

#### 1968 DEBT RETIREMENT AND SERVICE ASSESSMENT TO MEMBER TOWNS

Combined Ratio	Amount	
Bellingham	.08725	\$ 8,638.00
Blackstone	.5066	5,015.00
Douglas	.03458	3,423.00
Grafton	.11649	11,533.00
Hopedale	.05449	5,394.00
Mendon	.02397	2,373.00
Milford	.16909	16,740.00
Millbury	.13386	13,252.00
Millville	.01319	1,306.00
Northbridge	.12116	11,995.00
Sutton	.05480	5,425.00
Upton	.04611	4,565.00
Uxbridge	.09735	9,341.00
	1.00000	\$99,000.00

#### (D) OPERATING COSTS

Operating costs shall include all costs not included in capital costs as defined in section (B) above, but including interest on temporary notes issued by the District in anticipation of revenue.

##### OPERATING BUDGET FOR 1969

Administration	\$ 22,800.00
Instruction	347,600.00
Other School Services	78,550.00
Operational Maintenance	53,350.00
Fixed Charges	12,000.00
Community Services	200.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	<u>20,500.00</u>
Total	<u>\$535,000.00</u>

#### ESTIMATED REVENUE

Federal Funds	
George Barden	\$117,000.00
State Funds	
Transportation — Chap. 71, Sec.16	35,000.00
Operating Expenses	<u>90,000.00</u>
Total	<u>\$242,000.00</u>
NET ASSESSMENT FOR OPERATING BUDGET	<u><u>\$293,000.00</u></u>

#### (E) APPORTIONMENT OF OPERATING COSTS

Operating costs for the first calendar year next following the establishment of the regional school district and for every calendar year thereafter shall be apportioned to the member towns on the basis of their respective pupil enrollments in the regional school. Each member town's share for each calendar year shall be determined by computing the ratio which that town's pupil enrollment in the regional district school on October 1 of the year next preceding the year for which the apportionment is determined bears to the total pupil enrollment from all the member towns in the regional district school on the same date.

**1969 OPERATING BUDGET ASSESSMENT  
TO MEMBER TOWNS**

	Ratio	Amount
Bellingham	.08982	\$ 26,317.00
Blackstone	.04790	14,035.00
Douglas	.04191	12,280.00
Grafton	.11378	33,337.00
Hopedale	.05689	16,669.00
Mendon	.02694	7,893.00
Milford	.15869	46,496.00
Millbury	.13773	40,355.00
Millville	.01497	4,386.00
Northbridge	.11677	34,214.00
Sutton	.05389	15,790.00
Upton	.05089	14,911.00
Uxbridge	.08982	26,317.00
		<u>293,000.00</u>

**SUMMARY OF CAPITAL AND OPERATING EXPENSES  
BY TOWNS FOR 1969**

Town	Operating Expenses	Capital Assessment	Total	*Additional State Aid Entitlement
Bellingham	\$ 26,317.00	\$ 8,638.00	\$ 34,955.00	\$ 74,787.00
Blackstone	14,035.00	5,015.00	19,050.00	32,382.00
Douglas	12,280.00	3,423.00	15,703.00	12,228.00
Grafton	33,337.00	11,533.00	44,870.00	60,754.00
Hopedale	16,669.00	5,394.00	22,063.00	13,774.00
Mendon	7,893.00	2,373.00	10,266.00	13,999.00
Milford	46,496.00	16,740.00	63,236.00	49,996.00
Millbury	40,355.00	13,252.00	53,607.00	60,666.00
Millville	4,386.00	1,306.00	5,692.00	10,153.00
Northbridge	34,214.00	11,995.00	46,209.00	42,480.00
Sutton	15,790.00	5,425.00	21,215.00	28,402.00
Upton	14,911.00	4,565.00	19,476.00	21,555.00
Uxbridge	<u>26,317.00</u>	<u>9,341.00</u>	<u>35,658.00</u>	<u>39,234.00</u>
TOTALS	\$293,000.00	\$99,000.00	\$392,000.00	\$460,410.00

\*This is the additional amount of State Aid that each town is entitled to receive because of its membership in the Regional School District.

# REPORT OF TREASURER

Anthony D. Perry, Treasurer

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968

Cash on Hand January 1, 1968	124,073.31
Receipts — 1968	<u>2,505,294.13</u>
	2,629,367.44
Disbursements — 1968	<u>2,507,129.08</u>
Cash on Hand, December 31, 1968	<u><u>122,238.36</u></u>

## SUMMARY OF TRUST FUNDS AND INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968

Fund	Principal	Income
Library Department	73,329.72	2,071.47
Hopedale Charitable Trust Fund	5,779.01	230.77
Park Department	1,892.46	73.22
Hopedale Village Cemetery	3,212.96	123.64
Town Cemetery	<u>344.41</u>	<u>18.69</u>
	<u><u>84,558.56</u></u>	<u><u>2,517.79</u></u>

### Isabella F. Chase Fund:

Balance, January 1, 1968	44,848.92	
Interest Received — 1968	<u>2,299.10</u>	
	47,148.02	
Transferred to General		
Cash — 1968	<u>5,000.00</u>	
Balance December 31, 1968	42,148.02	42,148.02
Trust Fund Balance — December 31, 1968		<u><u>126,706.58</u></u>

# TREASURER'S REPORT OF OUTSTANDING DEBT

Years Remaining	Description	Original Amount	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1967 1967	Principal Paid 1968	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1968 1968	Principal Due 1968	Interest Due 1969
0	Water Loan	175,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0	0	0
0	Water Loan	100,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0	0	0
0	School Repair & Alteration	50,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0	0	0
5	Bridge Resurfacing	40,000.00	24,000.00	4,000.00	20,000.00	4,000.00	640.00
6	Memorial School	170,000.00	40,000.00	10,000.00	30,000.00	5,000.00	570.00
6	Memorial School	200,000.00	70,000.00	10,000.00	60,000.00	10,000.00	1,140.00
10	Jr.-Sr. High School	400,000.00	220,000.00	20,000.00	200,000.00	20,000.00	7,200.00
15	Jr.-Sr. High School & Memorial School	700,000.00	560,000.00	35,000.00	525,000.00	35,000.00	17,062.50
		<u>1,835,000.00</u>	<u>932,000.00</u>	<u>97,000.00</u>	<u>835,000.00</u>	<u>74,000.00</u>	<u>26,612.50</u>



# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968

Levy	Jan. 1, 1968 Balance	Committed	Refunds	Collected	Abatement	Balance 12/31/68
1957-1961						
Real Estate	540.98					540.98
1962						
Personal Property	65.63					65.63
Motor Vehicle	164.02					164.02
Real Estate	218.14			139.38		78.76
1963						
Personal Property	767.63					767.63
Motor Vehicle	652.12					652.12
Real Estate	146.28					146.28
1964						
Personal Property	274.50					274.50
Motor Vehicle	870.07					870.07
Real Estate	181.61					181.61
1965						
Personal Property	259.25					259.25
Motor Vehicle	1,483.65			146.30		1,337.35
Real Estate	767.94			175.58		592.36
1966						
Personal Property	165.83			86.19		79.64
Motor Vehicle	1,563.20			1,045.12	19.80	498.28
Real Estate	8,157.60			6,558.90		1,598.70
1967						
Personal Property	527.63			491.75		35.88
Motor Vehicle	13,299.92	6,418.50	558.36	17,156.78	1,780.45	1,339.55
Real Estate	23,587.48		309.35	14,099.05	309.35	9,488.43
Sewer Assessment	10.00			10.00		-
1968						
Personal Property		22,085.08		21,158.56	2.13	924.39
Motor Vehicle		122,488.69	2,514.32	105,653.28	9,793.93	9,555.80
Real Estate		974,772.88	861.67	903,339.04	36,105.67	36,189.84
Sewer Assessment		460.00		430.00		30.00
	53,703.48	1,126,225.15	4,243.70	1,070,489.93	48,011.33	65,671.07
	Interest Collected			1,576.19		
				1,072,066.12		

## REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

In accordance with the provisions of Section 61, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, the following report is submitted. All items are arranged in agreement with the classifications prescribed by the Director of Accounts.

1. Sources of Revenue and Distribution of Expenditure on percentage basis.
2. Balance Sheet
3. Status of Surplus Revenue Account.
4. Detail Report of Receipts from all sources for last two years.
5. Detail Report of Expenditures of each Department for last two years.
6. Recapitulation and Estimate Table, Balances December 31, 1968 and the estimated budget submitted by each department for the coming year.

All the Town Departments have my thanks for the cooperation they have shown during the past year, especially Mr. Westley Burton, Town Office Manager and his staff.

# TOWN OF HOPEDALE BALANCE SHEET

## ASSETS

Cash:	
General	\$122,038.36
Imprest Funds:	
School	30.00
Library	20.00
Tax Collector	50.00
Office Manager	<u>100.00</u>
	200.00
	<u>122,238.36</u>

## Accounts Receivable:

### Taxes:

Real Estate – Levy of 1968	36,189.84
Real Estate – Levy of 1967	9,488.43
Real Estate – Levy of 1966	1,598.70
Real Estate – Levy of 1965	592.36
Real Estate – Levy of 1964	181.61
Real Estate – Levy of 1963	146.28
Real Estate – Levy of 1962	78.76
Real Estate – Levy of 1961	271.33
Real Estate – Levy of 1960	81.53
Real Estate – Levy of 1959	14.38
Real Estate – Levy of 1958	162.11
Real Estate – Levy of 1957	<u>11.63</u>
	48,816.96

Personal Property – 1968	924.39
Personal Property – 1967	35.88
Personal Property – 1966	79.64
Personal Property – 1965	<u>259.25</u>

## LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Payroll Deductions:		\$	1,160.63	\$
County Retirement Fund			411.44	
Group Insurance – Pension			824.67	
Group Insurance – Employees				2,396.49
Agency:				
County Dog Licenses			<u>3.50</u>	3.50
Tailings:			<u>38.35</u>	38.35
Bequests:				
B. R. Billings Fund			<u>600.00</u>	600.00
Trust Fund Income				
Library			71.47	
Public Welfare			259.08	
Town Cemetery			<u>54.21</u>	384.76
Guarantee Deposits:				
Garbage Removal				
Farrar & Carty			<u>1,252.35</u>	1,252.35
Federal Grants:				
Medical Aid			1,000.00	
Title I			61.13	
National Defense Educational Fund			<u>709.75</u>	1,770.88
Revolving Funds:				
School Lunch			269.95	
School Athletics			<u>2.29</u>	272.24

# TOWN OF HOPEDALE BALANCE SHEET — continued

Personal Property — 1964	274.50				
Personal Property — 1963	767.63				
Personal Property — 1962	65.63		2,406.92	Appropriation Balances:	
				Revenue:	
Motor Vehicle Excise — 1968	9,555.80			Civilian Defense	287.82
Motor Vehicle Excise — 1967	1,339.55			Conservation Commission	698.18
Motor Vehicle Excise — 1966	498.28			Fire Department — New Truck	3,000.00
Motor Vehicle Excise — 1965	1,337.35			Highway Dept. — Chapter 90	
Motor Vehicle Excise — 1964	870.07			Adin Street	1,498.10
Motor Vehicle Excise — 1963	652.12			Water Supply — Search & Survey	574.54
Motor Vehicle Excise — 1962	164.02		14,417.19	Sewer Survey	11,000.00
				Non-Revenue: (Loan Balances)	
Sewer Assessments — 1968	50.00		30.00	Hope Street Bridge Rehabilitation	6,655.90
					23,714.54
Departmental:				Sale of Cemetery Lots	150.00
Town Hall	38.50				
Board of Health	25.75			Receipts Reserved for	
Disability Assistance (Admin.)	17.03			State Aid — Library	996.75
Medical Assistance	86.36				
Veterans' Services	6,645.22			Reserve Funds:	
			6,812.86	Overlay Surplus	81.02
Water Rates & Services:					
Rates	1,543.98			Overlay Reserved for Abate-ments:	
Services	16.35		1,560.33	Levy of 1968	9,364.35
				Levy of 1967	8,960.83
Aid to Highways:				Levy of 1965	4,308.78
County of Worcester:				Levy of 1964	960.75
Chapter 90 — Maintenance	400.00			Levy of 1963	668.26
Chapter 90 — Construction —				Levy of 1962	283.77
Adin Street	2,024.84			Levy of 1961	271.33
				Levy of 1960	81.53



ASSETS		DEBT ACCOUNTS		LIABILITIES	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt		Serial Loans:			
Inside Debt Limit:		Inside Debt Limit:			
General		General:			
		School Construction (Memorial & Jr.-Sr. H.S.)	\$785,000.00	\$25,000.00	
		School Construction (High School)		200,000.00	
Outside Debt Limit:		School Construction (Memorial School)		60,000.00	\$785,000.00
General					
		Outside Debt Limit:			
		Hope Street Bridge Repair		20,000.00	
		School Construction (Memorial School)		30,000.00	50,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$835,000.00	TOTAL LIABILITIES			\$835,000.00
ASSETS		TRUST ACCOUNTS		LIABILITIES	
Trust Funds Cash and Securities		Isabelle Chase Fund — Special		\$42,148.02	
In Custody of Town Treasurer		Jessie Preston Draper Charity Fund	\$126,706.58	5,779.01	
		Library Funds		73,329.72	
		William F., George A., and Eben S. Draper Park Fund		1,892.46	
		Town Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds		344.41	
		Hopedale Village Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds		3,212.96	126,706.58
TOTAL ASSETS	\$126,706.58	TOTAL LIABILITIES			\$126,706.58



## SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Percent of Receipts	
	1968	1967
1. Local Taxes (Real, Personal and Motor Vehicle Excise)	59	54
2. Commonwealth of Massachusetts—State Tax Basis	11	15
3. Federal, State and County Grants	13	15
4. Departmental Revenue	3	3
5. Water Department	4	4
6. Withholding Taxes, Retirement and Group Insurance	9	8
7. Miscellaneous	1	1
	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

## DISTRIBUTION OF TOWN EXPENSES

	Percent of Expenditures	
	1968	1967
1. General Government	3	3
2. Protection of Persons and Property	9	9
3. Highways	7	7
4. Public Welfare	8	10
5. School Department	39	40
6. Library	1	1
7. Parks and Recreation	2	1
8. Water Department	4	3
9. Municipal Indebtedness (Bond & Interest)	8	9
10. Agencies	5	6
11. Unclassified	4	2
12. Withholding Taxes, Retirement and Group Insurance, etc.	10	9
	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

**ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS REVENUE  
EXCESS & DEFICIENCY ACCOUNT FOR 1960  
AND AVAILABILITY OF FREE CASH**

	Debit	Credit	Balance
Balance January 1, 1968			99,368.14
Less Free Cash Used to			
Reduce Tax Rate	30,000.00		
Adjustment — Aid to			
Highways Revenue		3,392.17	
Transfer Balance of Federal			
Grant Accounts		11,702.59	
Appropriation Balances		38,573.82	
Balance December 31, 1968			122,036.97
Less Uncollected Taxes	51,223.88		
Free Cash Available			
January 1, 1969			70,813.58*
*Amount and Date of Certification			
January 17, 1968	\$63,424.67		
January 17, 1969	70,813.58		

## RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE:	1968	1967
Taxes — Current Year:		
Personal Property	21,158.56	16,052.59
Real Estate	903,339.04	746,136.78
Motor Vehicle Excise	105,653.28	103,237.56
Sewer Assessment	430.00	450.00
	<u>1,030,580.88</u>	<u>865,876.93</u>
Taxes — Previous Years:		
Personal Property	578.68	558.54
Real Estate	20,972.91	17,856.37
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
1964		26.40
1965	146.30	160.77
1966	1,045.12	16,370.64
1967	17,156.78	
Sewer Assessment:		
1966		20.00
1967	10.00	
	<u>39,909.79</u>	<u>34,992.72</u>
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
State Tax Basis	200,407.36	246,054.85
Meal Tax	807.56	2,086.24
Corporation & Taxation Loss of Taxes	129.18	—
	<u>201,344.10</u>	<u>248,141.09</u>
Permits and Licenses:		
Milk	18.00	12.00
Used Car and Others	99.00	106.50
Gun	488.00	100.00
Sewerage Permits	28.00	26.00
Plumbing and Gas Permits	463.00	593.00
Wire Permits	206.00	123.00
	<u>1,302.00</u>	<u>960.50</u>

GRANTS:	1968	1967
Federal Government:		
Old Age Assistance	4,094.71	9,205.36
Disability Assistance	3,760.42	5,738.50
Aid to Families with		
Dependent Children	4,982.68	10,018.28
Medical Assistance to the Aged	45,055.51	56,384.27
National Defense Education Fund	229.00	581.00
	<hr/> 58,122.32	<hr/> 81,927.41
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Massachusetts School Aid	64,786.75	50,667.58
Mass. School Building Ass't	9,492.25	37,812.25
Special Education		12,258.74
Vocational Tuition & Transportation	616.00	431.25
School Lunch	11,696.41	5,530.37
Transportation of Pupils	3,097.51	3,577.25
School Title I	2,231.00	1,962.00
Tuition and Transportation of		
State Wards	2,503.10	2,055.08
Veterans' Benefits	9,681.82	7,286.74
Library State Aid	996.75	996.75
Retarded Children's Program	—	228.26
Highway—Chapter 679, Acts of '65	—	10,436.17
Highway—Chapter 90,		
Adin Street Construction	11,950.31	
Highway—Chapter 90, Maintenance	397.95	394.05
Premature Baby Care Subsidy		198.00
Old Age Assistance	2,649.25	3,111.53
Aid to Dependent Children	4,431.48	3,438.65
Medical Assistance to the Aged	42,904.81	30,763.41
Disability Assistance	531.31	330.30
Public Welfare General Relief	132.97	251.01
Abatement for Tax Exempt Veterans	420.00	
	<hr/> 168,519.67	<hr/> 171,729.39
COUNTY:		
Dutch Elm Disease	151.97	105.15
Highway—Chapter 90, Maintenance	397.95	394.05
Highway—Chapter 90, Adin St. Const.	5,975.16	
Dog Licenses	368.69	398.66
	<hr/> 6,893.77	<hr/> 897.86

Town:	1968	1967
Isabella Chase Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00
Departmental Revenue:		
Town Clerk:		
Sale of Assessed Valuation Books	3.00	6.00
Sale of Street Listings	8.75	10.75
Dog Licenses for County	757.00	819.00
Town Hall — Rents	4,012.50	4,337.50
Selectmen — Public Hearing Fees	—	2,083.50
Police Department:		
Ambulance	—	
Court Fines & Line Fees	78.32	101.27
Fire Department:		
Sale of Gasoline	—	2.00
Tree Warden	—	—
Highway — Snow Removal	310.00	200.00
Public Welfare:		
O.A.A. Recovery	46.95	—
A.F.D.C. Recovery	2,092.00	1,705.05
Trust Funds	230.77	229.05
School:		
Auditorium Rental	60.00	135.00
Lunch Fund	42,451.79	40,728.37
Athletic Fund	1,315.70	1,413.26
Sale of Books and Supplies	—	5.00
Sale of Equipment	327.26	
Telephone Commission Refunds	7.39	
Library:		
Fines	113.07	121.59
Trust Funds	2,071.47	2,151.56
Park:		
Trust Funds	73.22	72.66
Band Concerts	75.00	120.00
Water:		
Sale of Water	66,123.19	57,669.04
Service Connections	2,199.45	2,000.27
Cemeteries:		
Village Cemetery Trust Funds	123.64	122.91
Town Cemetery Trust Funds	168.69	93.46
Securities Sold		378,502.45
	<hr/> 122,649.16	<hr/> 492,629.69

	1968	1967
Interest:		
On Deposits — Isabella Chase Fund		
On Deposits	466.87	386.80
On Real Estate, Personal Property Taxes	1,348.11	518.45
On Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	227.34	105.23
On Securities	265.89	1,497.55
	<u>2,308.21</u>	<u>2,508.03</u>
Refunds:		
Insurance Claims and Refunds	1,950.53	5,843.16
Cancelled Checks	2,158.21	71.65
	<u>4,108.74</u>	<u>5,914.81</u>
Transfers:		
Federal Withholding Tax	117,841.56	97,232.59
Mass. Withholding Tax	21,423.68	13,204.43
County Retirement Fund	12,596.18	11,651.97
Group Insurance — Contributory	11,995.25	11,283.29
Group Insurance — Retired	698.82	782.78
	<u>164,555.49</u>	<u>134,155.06</u>
Municipal Indebtedness :		
Tax Anticipation Loan	700,000.00	400,000.00
	<u>2,505,294.13</u>	<u>2,444,733.49</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS		

## EXPENDITURES

	1968	1967
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:		
General Administrative:		
1001 Salaries and Wages	20,792.16	18,886.89
1002 Travel Expense	88.40	151.51
1003 Office Supplies	1,905.11	2,150.84
1004 Equipment	104.05	299.00
1005 Utilities	623.15	625.45
1010 Town Report	1,827.00	1,356.80
1012 Medical Expenses		105.00
1013 Contractual Services	445.00	535.00
	<u>25,784.87</u>	<u>24,110.49</u>



	1966	1967
Selectmen:		
1101 Salaries and Wages	1,200.00	1,200.00
1102 Travel Expense	315.79	132.35
1103 Office Supplies, etc.	62.95	79.91
1104 Equipment	97.00	60.00
	<hr/> 1,675.74	<hr/> 1,472.26
Assessors:		
1131 Salaries and Wages	2,468.70	2,511.26
1132 Travel Expense	170.60	149.10
1133 Office Supplies	400.15	364.70
1134 Abstracts	156.06	163.50
1135 Appraisal Services	100.00	100.00
	<hr/> 3,295.51	<hr/> 3,288.56
Moderator:		
1141 Salaries and Wages	50.00	50.00
Elections:		
1151 Salaries and Wages	1,213.40	249.71
1153 Office Supplies, etc.	1,198.07	452.35
1154 Rental	40.00	50.00
	<hr/> 2,451.47	<hr/> 752.06
Registrations:		
1161 Salaries and Wages	693.00	734.78
1162 Travel Expense	40.00	
1163 Office Supplies, etc.	313.07	180.48
	<hr/> 1,046.07	<hr/> 915.26
Town Clerk:		
1201 Salaries and Wages	1,000.00	1,000.00
1202 Travel Expense	410.45	333.67
1203 Office Supplies, etc.	99.74	135.15
	<hr/> 1,510.19	<hr/> 1,468.82
Tax Collector:		
1301 Salaries and Wages	1,000.00	1,000.00
1302 Travel Expense	8.50	167.65
1302-1 Travel Expense Out of State	101.80	
1303 Office Supplies, etc.	450.50	353.68
	<hr/> 1,560.80	<hr/> 1,521.33

	1968	1967
Inspection:		
1480 Wire Inspection	129.00	129.00
1490 Dog Officer	444.32	202.00
1495 Inspector of Slaughtering	35.00	35.00
	<u>608.32</u>	<u>366.00</u>
Town Accountant:		
1501 Salaries and Wages	600.00	600.00
1502 Travel Expense — In State	273.57	254.64
1502-1 Travel Expense — Out of State		
1503 Office Supplies, etc.	29.00	17.00
	<u>902.57</u>	<u>871.64</u>
Town Counsel:		
1551 Salaries and Wages	750.00	750.00
Treasurer:		
1601 Salaries and Wages	600.00	600.00
1602 Travel Expense — In State	22.00	
1602-1 Travel Expense — Out of State	100.00	
1603 Office Supplies, etc.	37.49	33.50
	<u>759.49</u>	<u>633.50</u>
Planning Board:		
1703 Office Supplies, etc.	49.80	34.80
Town Hall:		
1801 Salaries and Wages	1,350.00	1,205.25
1802 Utilities	1,145.46	1,220.29
1803 Repairs	2,398.84	2,629.31
1804 Supplies and Equipment	479.38	430.35
	<u>5,373.68</u>	<u>5,485.20</u>
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	45,818.51	41,719.92

	1968	1967
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY		
Police Department:		
2001 Salaries and Wages — Regular	35,094.24	35,323.30
2001-1 Salaries — extra	6,782.03	3,841.56
2002 Travel Expense	62.00	83.45
2003 Office Supplies	356.63	289.58
2004 Telephone & Utilities	701.26	760.06
2005 Supplies & Equipment	1,121.73	297.61
2006 Cruisers — Repairs & Maintenance	1,372.70	848.51
2007 Gas and Oil	2,175.22	2,026.75
2008 Uniforms	388.55	309.90
2009 Misc. Expense	14.25	9.00
2011 Medical Expense		55.00
2050 New Cruiser	2,000.00	2,963.54
	<u>50,068.61</u>	<u>46,808.26</u>
Fire Department:		
2101 Salaries and Wages	62,131.24	61,756.35
2101-1 Salaries — Extra	10,799.32	8,700.25
2102 Travel Expense — in State	75.03	190.80
2103 Office Supplies	333.65	147.65
2014 Apparatus, Supplies, etc.	2,129.35	892.82
2105 Maintenance & Repairs	989.65	663.94
2106 Gasoline & Oil	676.83	368.40
2107 Utilities	2,211.85	1,515.03
2108 Supplies Bldg. & Grounds	678.38	570.57
2109 Repair & Maintenance B. & G.	1,193.43	453.96
2110 Hydrants	1,452.00	1,089.00
2111 Hose	850.15	585.00
2112 Medical		186.00
2150 New Equipment	2,474.77	
	<u>85,995.65</u>	<u>77,119.77</u>
Civil Defense:		
2201 Salaries and Wages	100.00	100.00
2202 Travel Expense	51.60	19.00
2203 Office Supplies, etc.	3.50	

	1968	1967
2204 Utilities	211.34	201.74
2205 Supplies	<u>187.64</u>	<u>280.66</u>
	554.08	601.40
Tree Warden:		
2301 Salaries and Wages	224.00	222.40
2302 Travel Expense	6.00	3.00
2303 Office Supplies, etc.		9.32
2305 Contractual Services	1,890.28	1,964.49
2400 Dutch Elm Disease	2,151.97	2,104.63
2410 Insect Pest Control	<u>3,955.14</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
	8,227.39	8,303.84
HEALTH AND SANITATION		
Board of Health:		
2501 Salaries and Wages	1,100.00	1,150.55
2502 Travel Expense	43.20	69.60
2503 Office Supplies, etc.	132.94	142.90
2504 Mosquito Control	500.00	
2505 Vital Statistics	183.00	163.00
2506 Public Clinics	49.33	80.00
2507 Medicine & Medical Attn.	70.12	417.38
2508 District Nursing Association	150.00	150.00
2509 Printing, etc.	16.50	
2510 Plumbing Inspector	<u>715.00</u>	<u></u>
	2,960.09	2,197.88
2530 Collection of Garbage Contract	16,000.00	15,984.77
TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY		
	163,805.82	151,015.92
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT		
3001 Salaries and Wages	43,220.60	42,005.86
3001A Salaries — Chapter 90		1,193.84
3002 Travel Expense	151.00	135.50
3003 Garage Expense	2,321.62	1,785.76

		1968	1967
3004	Garage — Repairs & Maintenance	2,609.00	1,700.03
3005	Garage — Equipment	210.69	471.40
3006	Tools & Street Supplies	620.97	466.48
3007	Street Repairs — Materials	3,134.14	1,044.60
3008	Street Repairs — Cont. Ser.	1,578.94	2,343.00
3009	Street Resurfacing — Materials	348.36	5,559.64
3010	Street Resurfacing — Cont. Ser.	542.33	719.72
3011	Gas, Oil, Chains, etc.	4,545.01	5,035.98
3012	Medical	185.00	93.25
3014	Flood Control	367.88	
3015	Bridges	834.74	684.80
3020	Sidewalks — Materials	1,706.68	1,803.38
3021	Sidewalks Contracted Ser.	4,628.70	5,752.00
3022	Catch Basins and Drains	905.30	962.35
3023	Catch Basins Contracted Ser.	341.50	836.60
3024	Sewers	225.00	230.00
3025	Snow Removal — Materials	11,075.75	7,635.24
3026	Snow Removal — Contracted Ser.	2,884.50	2,518.50
3027	Tree Belt & Mowing Brush	710.00	752.73
3028	Tree Belt Contracted Ser.		259.60
3029	Street Cleaning, etc.	1,206.94	926.80
3030	Maintenance of Equipment	5,343.20	5,875.76
3048	Special Acct. for Relocation of Pole & Wires — Chap. 90 — Adin St.	1,547.99	
3049	Street Signs	643.93	100.80
3050	New Equipment	14,943.69	6,152.80
3301	Special Improvement Oakwood Avenue Cutler Street		474.78
3302	Hopedale St., Improvement		9,495.65
3400	Adin Street Improvement	26,486.00	
	TOTAL HIGHWAYS	133,319.44	107,016.85
3900	Street Lighting	10,998.64	11,000.00
CHARITIES:			
Public Welfare:			
4001	Salaries and Wages	200.00	200.00
4006	Hospital Care		881.76

	1966	1967
4007 Housing, Rent & Utilities		100.00
4008 Welfare Recipients Fuel	30.38	
4009 Medicine & Med. Attendance	70.07	165.50
4010 Clothing, Groceries, etc.	338.00	677.92
4011 Cash Grants	320.00	100.00
4012 Transportation to Clinics		25.50
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	958.45	2,150.68
General Assistance:		
4101 A.F.D.C.	5,083.83	9,778.35
4102 D.A.	1,681.80	2,408.04
4103 M.A.A.	55,242.04	50,216.32
4104 O.A.A.	1,963.10	5,885.10
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	63,970.77	68,287.81
5105 Administration Expense for above	4,077.74	7,072.84
4107 A.F.D.C. — Federal Grant	3,628.55	8,330.37
4108 D.A. — Federal Grant	2,927.57	5,759.97
4109 M.A.A. — Federal Grant	39,679.14	54,508.16
4110 O.A.A. — Federal Grant	3,724.80	7,673.60
4111 A.F.D.C. — Federal Grant Administrative Expense		539.72
4112 D.A. — Federal Grant Administrative Expense	248.95	266.64
4113 M.A.A. — Federal Grant Administrative Expense	2,021.66	1,260.71
4114 O.A.A. — Federal Grant Administrative Expense	250.47	332.71
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	52,481.14	78,671.88
Veterans' Benefits:		
4201 Salaries and Wages	1,500.00	1,200.00
4205 Medical	9,856.20	10,416.00
4207 Cash Allowances	11,793.03	11,298.29
	23,149.23	22,914.29
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TOTAL CHARITIES	144,637.33	179,097.50



			1968	1967
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT				
2-1100 SCHOOL COMMITTEE				
1100	00 5	Supplies & Material	52.50	39.71
1100	00 6	Other Expenses	262.00	325.80
1100	00 6.1	In State Travel	160.80	25.00
1100	00 6.2	Out of State Travel		
			<hr/> 475.30	<hr/> 390.51
2-1200 Superintendent's Office				
1200	00 1	Superintendent's Salary	14,566.72	13,266.64
1200	00 2	Clerical Salary	4,841.00	4,561.25
1200	00 4	Postage		
1200	00 5	Supplies & Materials	827.35	735.36
1200	00 6	Other Expenses	111.35	447.45
1200	00 6.1	In State Travel	161.77	
1200	00 6.2	Out of State Travel	198.30	122.05
1200	00 6.3	Dues & Conferences		
			<hr/> 20,706.48	<hr/> 19,132.75
2-2900 EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION				
2900	00 4	Contracted Services	539.75	592.25
2-3200 HEALTH SERVICES				
3200	00 5	Supplies & Materials	144.01	95.33
3200	00 9	District Nursing Assn.	2,875.00	3,300.00
			<hr/> 3,019.01	<hr/> 3,395.33
2-3310 TRANSPORTATION				
3310	00 3	Salary	9,852.25	9,086.00
3310	00 4	Contracted Services	1,947.97	819.87
3310	00 5	Supplies & Materials (Bus)	10,638.26	4,444.96
3310	00 6	Other Expenses	143.00	78.50
			<hr/> 22,581.48	<hr/> 14,429.33
2-3400 FOOD SERVICES				
3400	00 A	Lunch Fund Approp.	4,983.02	4,994.24
3400	00 R	Lunch Receipts		46,581.98
				<hr/> 51,576.22
2-3510 ATHLETICS				
3510	00 R	Athletic Fund Receipts		1,575.05
3510	00 4	Contracted Services	2,957.75	1,943.70
3510	00 5	Supplies & Materials	2,363.22	3,250.56
3510	00 6	Other Expenses	71.25	134.30
			<hr/> 5,392.22	<hr/> 6,903.61

	1968	1967
2-7300 ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS		
7300 00 5 Supplies & Materials	2,995.15	1,862.25
7200 ACQUISITION & IMP. OF BLDGS.		
7200 00 4 Contracted Services		247.00
7200 00 5 Supplies & Materials		99.50
		<u>346.50</u>
2-2200 PRINCIPALS — HIGH SCHOOL		
2200 31 1 Professional Salary	13,497.00	11,846.14
2200 31 2 Clerical Salary	4,363.10	3,644.23
2200 31 4 Contracted Services	2,071.15	1,984.45
2200 31 5 Supplies & Materials	1,916.36	2,415.62
2200 31 6 Other Expenses	458.54	457.45
	<u>22,306.15</u>	<u>20,347.89</u>
2-2300 TEACHING HIGH SCHOOL		
2300 31 1 Professional Salary	234,454.93	193,800.68
2300 31 4 Contracted Services	1.25	
2300 31 5 Materials	6,983.88	9,400.45
2300 31 6 Other Expenses	508.00	1,707.93
	<u>241,948.06</u>	<u>204,909.06</u>
2-2400 TEXTBOOKS HIGH SCHOOL		
2400 31 4 Contracted Services	577.50	138.45
2400 31 5 Supplies & Materials	3,854.66	2,864.76
	<u>4,432.16</u>	<u>3,003.21</u>
2-2500 LIBRARY SERVICES		
2500 31 1 Professional Salary	7,207.63	6,607.72
2500 31 4 Contracted Services	104.19	
2500 31 5 Supplies & Materials	1,664.24	1,412.43
2500 31 6 Travel	46.20	60.49
	<u>9,022.26</u>	<u>8,080.64</u>
2-2600 AUDIO VISUAL HIGH SCHOOL		
2600 31 4 Contracted Services		
2600 31 5 Supplies & Materials	306.19	343.34
	<u>306.19</u>	<u>343.34</u>

## 2-2710 GUIDANCE SERVICES

2710 31 1 Professional Salary	9,861.89	10,476.93
2710 31 2 Clerical Salary	4,212.40	3,576.24
2710 31 4 Contracted Services		147.38
2710 31 5 Materials	742.26	539.57
2710 31 6 Other Expenses	274.48	305.94
	<u>15,091.03</u>	<u>15,046.06</u>

## 2-2200 PRINCIPALS – ELEMENTARY

2200 11 1 Professional Salary	10,490.79	9,365.44
2200 11 2 Clerical Salary	3,098.25	2,460.37
2200 11 4 Contracted Services		
2200 11 5 Materials		143.48
2200 11 6 Other Expenses	249.93	165.39
	<u>13,838.97</u>	<u>12,134.68</u>

## 2-2300 TEACHING ELEMENTARY

2300 11 1 Professional Salary	235,441.43	205,214.59
2300 11 4 Contracted Services	850.00	850.00
2300 11 5 Supplies & Materials	6,751.98	5,631.41
2300 11 6 Other Expenses	85.80	88.50
	<u>243,129.21</u>	<u>211,784.50</u>

## 2-2400 TEXTBOOKS ELEMENTARY

2400 11 4 Contracted Services		
2400 11 5 Supplies & Materials	3,758.22	3,315.89
	<u>3,758.22</u>	<u>3,315.89</u>

## 2-2500 LIBRARY ELEMENTARY

2500 11 5 Supplies & Materials	754.00	338.08
	<u>754.00</u>	<u>338.08</u>

## 2-2600 AUDIO VISUAL ELEMENTARY

2600 11 4 Contracted Services		18.50
2600 11 5 Supplies & Materials	190.81	155.89
	<u>190.81</u>	<u>174.39</u>

## 2-4110 CUSTODIAN SERVICES – ELEMENTARY

4110 11 3 Salary	10,208.41	10,385.90
4110 11 4 Contracted Services	568.70	346.95

4110 11 5	Supplies & Materials	1,479.72	1,937.22
4110 11 6	Other Expenses	11.00	
		<u>12,267.83</u>	<u>12,670.07</u>
2-4120	HEATING – ELEMENTARY		
4120 11 4	Contracted Services	614.51	223.71
4120 11 5	Supplies & Materials	6,252.74	6,563.45
		<u>6,867.25</u>	<u>6,787.16</u>
2-4110	CUSTODIAL SERV. HIGH SCHOOL		
4110 31 3	Salary	15,773.63	14,251.52
4110 31 4	Contracted Services	377.50	132.99
4110 31 5	Supplies & Materials	2,600.63	2,985.53
4110 31 6	Other Expenses		5.00
		<u>18,711.76</u>	<u>17,374.05</u>
2-4120	HEATING BLDGS. HIGH SCHOOL		
4120 31 4	Contracted Services	126.00	
4120 31 5	Materials	6,099.15	7,666.16
		<u>6,225.15</u>	<u>7,666.16</u>
2-4130	UTILITY SERVICES HIGH SCHOOL		
4130 31 4	Contracted Services	7,803.61	11,032.01
2-4210	MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS H.S.		
4210 31 4	Contracted Service		62.29
4210 31 5	Supplies & Materials		125.06
			<u>187.35</u>
2-4220	MAINTENANCE OF BLDGS.		
4220 31 4	Contracted Services	820.25	1,425.33
4220 31 5	Materials	943.05	417.60
		<u>1,763.30</u>	<u>1,842.93</u>
2-4230	MAINTENANCE & REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT		
4230 31 4	Contracted Services	2,535.72	2,062.83
4230 31 5	Materials	210.91	683.65
		<u>2,746.63</u>	<u>2,746.48</u>

			1968	1967	
2-4240	REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT				
4240	31	5	Supplies & Materials	1,816.04	1,343.08
2-5300	RENTAL LAND & BLDGS.				
5300	31	8	Gym Rental	5,000.00	5,000.00
2-9100	PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS				
9100	43	9	Tuition	2,227.67	1,802.64
9100	43	9.1	Transportation	703.20	673.50
			<u>2,930.87</u>	<u>2,476.14</u>	
2-4130	UTILITY SERVICES — ELEMENTARY				
4130	11	4	Contracted Services	4,302.27	1,728.66
			4,302.27	1,728.66	
2-4210	MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS — ELEMENTARY				
4210	11	4	Contracted Services	128.50	98.25
4210	11	5	Supplies & Materials		108.00
			<u>128.50</u>	<u>206.25</u>	
2-4220	MAINTENANCE OF BLDGS. — ELEMENTARY				
4220	11	4	Contracted Services	2,547.52	2,941.45
4220	11	5	Supplies & Materials	452.26	61.16
			<u>2,999.78</u>	<u>3,002.61</u>	
2-4230	MAINTENANCE & REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT — ELEMENTARY				
4230	11	4	Contracted Services	2,932.44	1,969.32
4230	11	5	Supplies & Materials	379.83	197.20
			<u>3,312.27</u>	<u>2,166.52</u>	
2-4240	REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT — ELEMENTARY				
4240	11	5	Supplies & Materials	1,893.85	725.89
			1,893.95	725.89	

		1968	1967
2-2300	12 SPECIAL ED. CLASS – TEACHING		
2300	12 4 Contracted Services		28.00
2300	12 5 Supplies & Materials	184.76	279.22
2300	12 7 Other Expenses		
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		184.76	307.22
2-2400	12 SPECIAL ED. CLASS – TEXTBOOKS		
2400	12 5 Textbooks	123.90	
		123.90	
2-2800	SPECIAL ED. – PSYCHOLOGICAL		
2800	12 4 Psychological Services	357.00	51.00
		357.00	51.00
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	GRAND TOTAL	694,904.34	660,428.04
FEDERAL FUNDS			
Federal Grant			
	Title I – Remedial Reading & Speech Therapy	1,962.00	1,934.47
	N.D.E.A. Funds (National Defense Education Fund)	3,090.16	2,489.60
	Business & Office Education Fund	583.90	583.90
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		5,635.96	5,010.97
LIBRARY DEPARTMENT:			
5001	Salaries and Wages	13,650.13	12,875.38
5002	Travel Expense	54.75	14.00
5003	Supplies, Dues, etc.	848.43	435.82
5004	Books, Subscriptions, Periodicals	3,338.25	3,350.94
5005	Binding	196.92	312.90
5006	Repairs and Maintenance of Buildings	725.92	880.23
5007	Utilities	873.99	831.62
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	TOTAL LIBRARY	19,688.39	18,700.89



	1968	1967
PARK DEPARTMENT:		
6001 Salaries and Wages	14,619.51	12,656.94
6002 Travel Expense		23.10
6003 Office Supplies, etc.	21.00	10.00
6004 Utilities	659.65	376.62
6005 Gas, Oil, etc.	560.93	821.14
6006 Parks — Supplies	1,624.43	927.99
6007 Parks — Repairs & Maintenance	1,906.08	725.86
6008 Bathhouse Supplies	611.61	496.19
6009 Bathhouse Repairs & Maintenance	806.70	186.55
6010 Playground Supplies		330.70
6012 Reservation — Maintenance	843.00	1,054.99
6013 Playground — Tennis Instructor	220.00	257.50
6014 Accessories for Equipment		224.50
6015 Retarded Children's Summer Program		456.57
6050 New Equipment		
Four-Wheel Dump Truck	3,875.00	
	<hr/> 25,747.91	<hr/> 19,355.75
CONSERVATION:		
6101 Salaries and Wages	439.48	453.38
6102 Travel Expense	60.70	54.34
6103 Office Supplies, etc.	37.50	30.00
6104 Tools and Supplies		429.40
6105 Maintenance and Labor	752.55	85.80
	1,290.23	1,052.92
TOTAL PARK & CONSERVATION	<hr/> 27,038.14	<hr/> 20,408.67

WATER DEPARTMENT:		
7001 Salaries and Wages	19,850.89	15,158.41
7002 Travel Expense	97.40	56.10
7003 Office Supplies, etc.	255.57	137.95
7004 Utilities	6,305.25	6,463.32
7005 Supplies and Equipment	436.29	947.65
7006 Maintenance and Repairs	497.87	447.49
7007 Services — Pipes & Fittings	1,235.53	1,059.46
7008 Services — Contractual	2,489.77	3,054.90

	1968	1967
7009 Services — Street Repairs	3,179.27	4,138.83
7010 Repairs to Mains	5,405.35	6,441.97
7011 Soda Ash	1,696.62	1,642.38
7012 So. Milford Water Purchase	3,703.82	4,067.22
7013 Master Meter Water Purchase	6,365.04	1,423.44
7014 Gas, Oil and Fuel	227.41	645.93
7020 Pumping Station Maintenance		
and Repairs	3,954.53	2,819.09
7021 Survey of Water Improvement		
Supplies & Labor	3,411.87	
7025 Hydrant & Hydrant Repair	1,093.15	778.36
7026 Meters & Meter Repair	1,107.15	659.99
7027 Standpipe		1.80
7028 Water Analysis	164.67	
7029 Shop Supplies & Equipment	95.37	256.48
	<u>61,572.82</u>	<u>46,475.77</u>
7051 Water Supply, Search & Survey	115.51	1,809.95
	<u>61,688.33</u>	<u>48,285.72</u>
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT		
UNCLASSIFIED:		
8001 Pensions	10,179.32	10,388.04
8001A Pension Increase		105.76
8002 Insurance	12,878.93	13,175.65
8003 Town Cemetery	424.65	455.10
8004 Memorial Day	467.45	438.44
8005 Hopedale Village Cemetery		
Trust Fund	123.64	122.91
8006 Public Welfare Trust Fund	206.92	164.47
8007 Centarl Mass. Regional		
Planning District	318.96	265.80
8008 Group Insurance Appropriation	12,499.26	11,713.22
8009 Blackstone Valley Vocational		
Regional School	16,650.60	16,431.14
	<u>53,749.73</u>	<u>53,260.53</u>
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED		

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## MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

9001	Temporary Loans	700,000.00	400,000.00
9002	High School Remodeling and		
	New Construction	60,000.00	60,000.00
9003	Memorial School Bonds	20,000.00	20,000.00
9004	Hope Street Bridge Bonds	4,000.00	4,000.00
9005	Maturing Water Bonds	13,000.00	13,000.00
9007	Int. on Temporary Loans	9,834.00	7,442.12
9008	Int. on School Bonds	28,390.00	30,807.50
9010	Interest on Water bonds	768.00	896.00
9012	Securities Purchases		378,502.45
TOTAL MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST		836,252.00	915,168.07

## AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT:

9101	Worcester County Sanitarium	2,547.35	3,752.43
9102	Dog Licenses for County	753.50	822.50
9103	State Parks & Reservations	4,540.32	6,068.75
9104	Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,383.30	2,569.41
9105	Worcester County Ret. Assess.	19,778.26	21,123.10
9106	County Tax	57,523.37	49,572.93
9108	Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bill	398.10	379.65
TOTAL AGENCY, TRUST, INVESTMENT		86,924.20	84,288.77

## REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS:

9201	Group Insurance Payroll Ded.	11,738.83	11,290.53
9202	Group Insurance Ret. Payments	650.91	652.08
9203	Federal Withholding Tax	117,789.06	97,232.59
9204	Mass. Withholding Tax	21,286.80	13,117.41
9205	County Retirement Fund	12,339.99	11,575.87
9208	Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Refunds	3,072.68	2,931.85
9209	Group Insurance Comm.	9.43	
9211	1967 Real Estate Tax Refunds	309.35	3,018.13

		1968	1967
9212	1968 Real Estate Tax Refunds	861.67	868.65
9213	Cancelled Checks	1,822.14	
	TOTAL REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS	<u>169,880.86</u>	<u>140,687.11</u>
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,507,129.08	2,431,077.99

# RECAPITULATION FOR 1968 AND ESTIMATES FOR 1969

ACCOUNT	1968 Approp.	Receipts & Transfers	Total	1968 Expenditures	1968 Balances	1969 Estimates
GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE						
General Administrative	34,805.00		34,805.00	33,195.03	1,609.97	35,800.00
Town Accountant	600.00		600.00	600.00		600.00
Town Counsel	750.00		750.00	750.00		750.00
Salaries (Elected Town Officials)	6,050.00		6,050.00	6,050.00		6,100.00
Planning Board	100.00		100.00	100.00		100.00
Town Hall	6,000.00		6,000.00	5,373.68	626.32	5,860.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY						
Police Dept. — General Maint.	48,165.00		48,165.00	48,068.61	96.39	53,160.00
Police Dept. — New Cruiser	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00	254.12	2,000.00
Fire Dept. — General Maint.	83,775.00		83,775.00	83,520.88	325.23	92,915.00
Fire Dept. — Chief's Car	2,800.00		2,800.00	2,474.77		
Fire Dept. — New Truck	3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00	
Civilian Defense	500.00	341.90	841.90	554.08	287.82	500.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,920.28		2,000.00
Dutch Elm Disease	2,000.00	151.97	2,151.97	2,151.97		2,000.00
Insect Pest Control	4,000.00		4,000.00	3,955.14	44.86	5,000.00

# RECAPITULATION FOR 1968 AND ESTIMATES FOR 1969 — continued

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	3,450.00	3,450.00	2,960.09	489.91	3,200.00
Garbage Removal	16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00		16,200.00
Sewerage Survey	11,000.00	11,000.00		11,000.00	

## HIGHWAYS

Highway Dept. — Gen. Maint.	89,980.00	1,196.80	91,176.80	90,341.76	88,775.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,196.80	1,200.00
Chapter 90 — Adin St. Improve.	3,000.00	24,984.10	27,984.10	26,486.00	1,498.10
Improvement — Plain St.					8,000.00
Improvement — Mellen St.					2,290.78
New Equipment	15,000.00		15,000.00	14,943.69	7,500.00

Highway Department		1,547.99	1,547.99	1,547.99	2,200.00
Special Account					3,000.00
Dutcher St. Improvement					20,000.00
Hope St. Bridge Repairs					

## PUBLIC WELFARE

Public Welfare Trust Funds		466.00	466.00	206.92	259.08
Public Welfare and Gen. Relief	2,000.00		2,000.00	958.45	1,041.55
Administrative Expense — O.A.A.					
A.F.D.C., M.A.A., D.A.	4,500.00		4,500.00	4,077.74	422.26



## RECAPITULATION FOR 1968 AND ESTIMATES FOR 1969 — continued

General Assistance — O.A.A., M.A.A., D.A., A.F.D.C.	62,000.00	2,138.95	64,138.95	63,970.77	168.18
Federal Grants — Aids:					
Old Age Assistance		4,639.53	4,639.53	3,724.80	914.73
Medical Assistance to Aged		45,214.65	45,214.65	39,679.14	5,535.51
Aid to Families with Dependent Children		4,663.31	4,663.31	3,628.55	1,034.76
Disability Assistance		3,890.90	3,890.90	2,927.57	963.33
Federal Grants — Administrative:					
Old Age Assistance		779.75	779.75	250.47	529.28
Medical Assistance to Aged		3,234.25	3,234.25	2,023.09	1,211.16
Aid to Families with Dependent Children		1,513.03	1,513.03		1,513.03
Disability Assistance		249.74	249.74	248.95	.79
Veterans' Services	28,500.00		28,500.00	23,149.23	5,350.77
SCHOOL					28,500.00
School Dept. — Gen. Maint. Lunch Fund	695,800.00	54,150.18	695,800.00	694,904.34	895.66
Athletic Fund		1,612.20	1,612.20	53,880.23	269.95
School — High School Const.		3,660.64	3,660.64	1,609.91	2.29
School — Memorial School Const.		4,949.16	4,949.16		3,660.64
National Defense Education Fund		829.56	829.56	119.81	4,949.16
Vocational School — Federal		616.00	616.00	616.00	709.75
Title I — Federal		2,258.53	2,258.53	2,197.40	61.13

# RECAPITULATION FOR 1968 AND ESTIMATES FOR 1969 — continued

## LIBRARIES

Library — General	17,077.00	518.69	17,595.69	17,595.69	19,000.00
Library — Trust Fund		2,164.17	2,164.17	2,092.70	71.47

## RECREATION

Park Department — General	21,970.00	73.22	22,043.22	21,872.91	170.31
New Equipment — Truck	4,000.00		4,000.00	3,875.00	125.00
Conservation Commission	1,700.00	986.59	2,686.59	1,988.41	698.18
Repairs to Ball Diamond					1,200.00
					3,000.00

## UTILITIES

Water Department — General	66,950.00		66,950.00	61,572.82	5,377.18
Survey & Testing — New					
Water Supply		5,690.05	5,690.05	5,115.51	574.54
New Equipment — Truck					9,425.46
					3,000.00

## UNCLASSIFIED

Insurance	13,100.00		13,100.00	12,878.93	221.07
Memorial Day	500.00		500.00	467.45	32.55
Town Cemetery	400.00	75.00	475.00	424.65	50.35
Reserve Fund	15,000.00		15,000.00	2,047.25	12,952.75
					10,000.00

## RECAPITULATION FOR 1968 AND ESTIMATES FOR 1969 — continued

Group Insurance Pensions	12,000.00 10,705.00	499.26	12,499.26 10,705.00	12,499.26 10,179.32	525.68	13,500.00 7,732.92
Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational School District	16,651.00		16,651.00	16,650.60	.40	22,063.00
Central Mass. Regional Planning District	319.00		319.00	318.96	.04	318.96
Street Lights	11,500.00		11,500.00	10,998.64	501.36	11,500.00
			MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST			
DEBT:						
Maturing Bridge Bonds	4,000.00		4,000.00	4,000.00		4,000.00
Maturing School Bonds	80,000.00		80,000.00	80,000.00		70,000.00
Maturing Water Bonds	13,000.00		13,000.00	13,000.00		
INTEREST:						
Interest on Bridge Bonds	768.00		768.00	768.00		640.00
Interest on School Bonds	28,390.00		28,390.00	28,390.00		25,972.50
Interest on Water Bonds	260.00		260.00	260.00		
Interest on Temporary Loans	10,500.00		10,500.00	9,834.00	666.00	17,000.00
Interest on Fire Dept. Truck Bonds						600.00
	1,457,765.00	173,096.12	1,630,861.12	1,559,194.24	71,668.88	1,480,713.62

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